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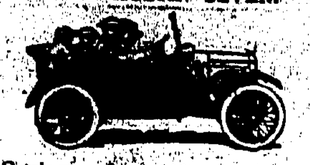

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Acting on the old adage that "prevention is better than cure," the Government is lending a sympathetic ear to the proposals of interested gentlemen for the establishing on Stanley Peninsula of a waifs and strays training institution.

The beggar problem and the measures adopted by the police for its solution have been the subject of considerable comment of late. It would appear that the aspect involving potential cargo pilferers, bag-snatchers, etc., which has also have been more pronounced of late, has not been overlooked.

For some time interested Chinese and others have been working with a view to founding a home in which such boys from the age of 10 may be taught proficiency in handicraft which will enable them to become useful members of a society to which they are at present nothing but a pest.

A "China Mail" representative who made enquiries was informed by the Assistant Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., C.B.E., that the Government was not sponsoring the scheme, neither was the institution to be regarded as a reformatory or Borstal Institute. No crime would have to be committed for admittance to be gained and the object was purely preventative. The matter had not proceeded far enough for any announcement to be made regarding plans, staffing, etc.

From another source it is gathered that the matter which is engaging the attention of the directors is the advisability of securing a Silician Father as Director. One of the Silician priests has actually been approached and has expressed willingness to accept the appointment. The Rev. gentleman has also furnished the promoters, it is stated, with a rough estimate of the number of instructors required and their salaries.

It is the intention of the promoters to raise a sum of $500,000 for the project. The construction of the home will absorb about $200,000, but it is stated that the Government will be asked to contribute half that amount so that the balance of the money can be used as an Endowment Fund, also that it is proposed to ask the Government to bear half of the annual expenses of upkeep.

150 children who are to be admitted at any rate to begin with on a residential qualification (parents to have resided here for a number of years) are being prepared for at the commencement. After they have been sufficiently trained to work they will be found occupation and if they earn more than enough to keep themselves they will be expected to contribute to the Endowment Fund.

The inauguration of this scheme serves as a reminder of the development which is to take place at this particular part of the island along with other developments on the south side already noted. As regards Stanley village, progress has been so considerable as to justify the extension of the Aberdeen 'bus service to the peninsula which is already well served by a regular launch service.

Then there is the Government's promise of land to St. Stephen's College, who, if they raise the necessary money in the specified time, intend using in part the foundations of the old Garrison building in connection with their scheme for the foundation there of a fine school with extensive playing fields.

The remains of the Garrison walls and the now carefully tended cemetery with tombstones bear record to the grim toll taken in the early days, and there are many stories current as to the struggles in these dark times against disease for the coping of which the men were so ill-equipped. One instance of the ignorance prevailing even among so-called medical men is vouched for in the official records, which bear the written recipe of one of the medical officers for combatting the disease which was so sadly depleting the ranks—this was to the effect that all doors and windows should be closed in summer and fires kept continually burning!

THIEF'S FALL.

A Chinese fell into the hands of the police yesterday in a disabled condition with injuries to his head and body. Taking advantage of darkness, the man gained access to the back verandah on the first floor of No. 31, Wyndham Street, where he tried to force open a window. His presence was noticed by one of the inmates, who promptly blew a police whistle. In his anxiety to escape, the man missed his footing and fell into the yard.

BIT A GIRL?

Coolie's Rough Behaviour.

SAID IT WAS FUN.

REV. MR. LINDSAY'S DAUGHTER FRIGHTENED.

Reports current as to the biting of a European child by a coolie in Kowloon would appear to be considerably exaggerated, although there is a certain amount of truth in them.

A coolie who delivered goods to the Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Lindsay at St. Andrew's Rectory would appear to have been fond of their little daughter of four years of age and to have been in the habit of playing with her when he called.

Yesterday morning the coolie became unduly rough and the little girl ran to her mother with marks on her arm which she said were caused by a bite.

The coolie's attitude was that it was merely a playful pinch.

The little girl was considerably frightened and although Mr. Lindsay after due consideration decided not to bring a charge against the coolie, asked that it should be made clear to him that he was not to interfere in this manner with children."

JUST LIKE HOME.

SIR HARRY LAUDER AND HONGKONG.

A LETTER IN THE DORIC.

"One of the Most Beautiful Places In The World."

Sir Harry Lauder, the famous comedian, writing home from Hongkong, praised the Colony in the highest terms, saying it was just like home.

Sir Harry Lauder, who arrived in Hongkong on February 11 and left a fornight later, motored round the island, also to Fanling where he played golf, and he seems to have been very favourably impressed with the scenery, comparing it to Argyll's mountains, glens and bens.

In spite of the doubts he expressed to a "China Mail" representative shortly after he arrived here as to whether after all he was going to find many Scotsmen in the Colony for "if so they mun cover up their kilties weel for never a one huv' I set eyes on," he seemed afterwards to have fallen in with many kindred Scots with whom he toured the Colony. At the special dinner given in his honour by Forfarshire men Sir Harry said that during his stay here he had felt "in the bosom of friends." His visit had afforded him a wealth of pleasure and he would take away a great memory of Hongkong.

These were no idle words for the "China Mail" is able to publish a letter he wrote to a friend during his stay in Hongkong.

The letter was to Mr. Charles Young, chemist, Dundee, an intimate friend of the great comedian, in the Doric. It was written at Hongkong on February 15, and was as follows:—

Friend Chairlie.—

Man, I'm haein' a fine time here in Hongkong. Have met a few Scots frae Dundee, Kirrie, Brechin, and the auld toon, Arbroath.

It is fine to meet sae far awa' frae hame roon' a cup o' kindness—tea—for auld langsyne. We hae cracked aboot oor half-time days at Gordon's, when we plunked the schule and got oor lickens frae "Stumpy" Bell, and a' the auld daft days aboot the cliffs and the Common.

I'll be in Shanghai next, and I am sure to come across anither lot frae the auld land. It is wonderfu' hoo mony brither Scots are awa' frae hame. They surely make up a great part of the backbone of our Empire. They just canna help being a success. The grit there, and the fame o' auld Scotland is aye nailed to the top o' the mast.

This Hongkong is one of the most beautiful places in the world. The mountains tower high up into the mist. It is just like Argyll, with mountains, glens, and bens. I never felt more at hame. Maybe it is because, "East, west, hame's best."

My warmest respecs to a' the lads.—Your freen, Harry Lauder.

LAST SATURDAY'S PRETTY KOWLOON WEDDING.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Miss Winifred Yeo, who arrived last week from Home, and Mr. G. B. Labrum, photographed with friends outside St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, after their marriage on Saturday. Miss D. Carrick, who attended the bride, Mr. H. E. Trenerry, who attended the bridegroom, the Rev. G. R. Lindsay, who officiated, also Mr. V. C. Labrum, who gave away the bride, are among others in the group.

HIGHER RENTS.

DETAILS OF DRAFT BILL.

THE 15 PER CENT. INCREASE.

Recommendations by the committee of the Legislative Council, appointed to inquire into the Rents Ordinance, are likely to take shape in an ordinance shortly, as a draft bill known as the Rents Amendment Ordinance has been published in the "Government Gazette."

Clause 2 of the bill sustitutes the words "the rent recoverable in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance" in place of the words "standard rent" in certain sections of the principal Ordinance.

[The standard rent is that paid on December 31, 1920 and the rent recoverable in accordance with the provisions of the new Ordinance will be the standard rent plus 15 per cent.]

Clause 3 of the bill provides for the permission to increase the standard rent by 15 per cent. For domestic tenements the rent of which is payable by the *lunar* month, the increase is allowed to come into force as from June 30, 1925. For tenements the rent of which is payable by the *lunar* (Chinese moon) month, the increase is permitted from July 20, 1925.

Clause 4 of the bill provides that upon summary conviction, lessors who threaten to apply for a *reconstruction certificate*, or *threatens* to take action on such a certificate and thereby receives or demands rent more than the amount provided, be liable to a fine not exceeding $1,000. Upon hearing of any summons issued under the complete section (i.e., the section in the principal Ordinance and the additions made thereto by clause 4 of the bill), a magistrate can, in addition to imposing a fine, order the defendant to pay the tenant any sum obtained by the means of threat referred to.

The objects and reasons, as published are:—

Clause 2 of this bill makes certain necessary amendments in the principal Ordinance in place where the standard rent is referred to, so as to fit in with clause 3 of this Bill.

Clause 3 of this bill enacts by a new section 3A to the principal Ordinance the increase of fifteen per cent. which is recommended in Resolution 1 in the Report of the committee of the Legislative Council on the Rents Ordinance, which resolution (it should be carefully noted) does not sanction any increase on the present rent being paid by a sub-tenant, provided that such present rent has already been raised, to as much as fifteen per cent above the standard rent.

Clause 4 of this Bill is aimed against a practice, which unfortunately prevails to a certain extent, of threatening a tenant with reconstruction unless he will pay more rent. Sub-section (2) of clause 4 is based up the provisions of section 19 of the principal Ordinance.

Clause 5 of this Bill carries out the first part of Resolution 1 in the Report of the Rents Committee, namely, "that the duration of the Rents Ordinance be extended for one year from June 30, 1925."

COLONY'S FINANCES.

On January 31, the Government's balance in hand was $13,446,516 74. In January $1,085,571 45 was received and $1,646,604 00 spent.

The Shipping Control Account stands at $2,220,493 91. The Government has over nine lakhs in subsidiary coins, over a million out on building loans and an investment account of over nine million dollars but an overdraft at the Bank of nearly nine and a half lakhs.

Two baskets brought to the Central Police Station by a rickshaw coolie yesterday evening were found on examination to contain 500 tins of opium. The coolie stated that the baskets were placed in his vehicle by an unknown man at Queen's Street, who asked him to proceed to the Kwong Tai Loi boarding house and wait there. The coolie waited for two hours, but the man did not turn up.

WATER RETURNS.

FIGURES FOR LAST MONTH.

CURIOUS ANOMALIES.

The water returns showing the levels and storage of water in reservoirs on the City and Hill District water works level, also the Kowloon water works level, both taken on May 1, do not differ greatly from those of last year.

Hongkong is a little above last year's storage at this period, there being a total of 1,079.09 million gallons as compared with 1,011.38 million gallons, Tytam, Tytam Intermediate, and Pokfulam reservoirs all showing slight increases, and Tytam Tuk a decrease. Curiously enough, with an increased population of over 10,000 the consumption for the month for Hongkong has decreased from 262.53 million gallons to 238.33 million gallons, or from a consumption of 23 gallons per head per day to one of 20.3 gallons per head per day. A constant supply in all rider main districts during April, 1924, an intermittent supply in all rider main districts up to April 4, 1925, and a constant supply in all rider main districts for the rest of the month, is reported for Hongkong.

More water is in store also at the Kowloon Water works which is 18 feet below overflow as compared with 23ft. 9in. last year and has in store 191.50 million gallons as compared with 151.25 million gallons last year. The population of Kowloon has increased by about 5,000 and the consumption for the month has also increased from 63.38 million gallons last year to 66.83 million gallons this year, the consumption per head per day having increased from 14.6 gallons to 14.9 gallons.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

It is also notified that the name of The Fu Lee and Company, Limited has been struck off the Register, in addition to The Lee Hong Steamship Company, Ltd.

"GIRL GUIDES."

ANOTHER INSULT TO SCOTLAND.

A reader of the "North China Daily News" writes to that paper as follows:—Sir,—After the Church Parade to-day as the Volunteers were in line waiting to march to the Bund, my three little ones and I came out of the Cathedral School and we stood to watch. All three were watching with the greatest interest as the different divisions moved off when suddenly an eager little voice exclaimed, "Here come the Girl Guides" and I looked up to see the Scottish in their kilts bringing up the rear. As the child is only four and a half years it seems to me too good a joke to keep to myself.

LAST MONTH'S RAIN.

During the month of April, the highest temperature recorded was 81.2 degrees Far. and the lowest 52.4.

The rainfall for the month of April at the Botanical Gardens was 8.20 ins. on 18 days, at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett it was 7.07 ins. on 15 days, and at the Police Station, Taipo, it was 9.30 ins. on 15 days.

The lowest barometer reading, at sea level, was 29.779 ins. at 4 p.m., and 5 p.m., on the 3rd.

The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 52 miles per hour 12.11 p.m., on the 14.

THE LOCAL BAR.

In the Government Gazette to-day is a bill to amend the Legal Practitioners Ordinance of 1871. In the "objects and reasons," it is stated that in 1873, Mr. Rowett, an unofficial member brought forward a motion. The then Attorney General proposed an amendment which was carried. The bill also refers to the functions of barristers and solicitors, the law, and the etiquette of the legal profession.

The theft of four macaroni cutting machines, valued at $88, between 7 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on Thursday, has been reported to the police by a Chinese factory handling this product.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

SUEZ CANAL.

GERMANY'S POSITION.

Germany has already risen to third place among the nations using the Suez Canal. She came sixth in 1922, fourth in 1923, but last year she ousted France from third place. Before the war she occupied second place after Great Britain.

At present the Netherlands follows Britain. The United States has maintained title to seventh place throughout the last three years.

According to a recent number of the Suez Canal Company's bulletin, the net tonnage of the flags of the chief nations using the waterway has varied as follows in the last three years (in thousands of net tons):

	1924	1023	1922
Britain	14,995	14,264	13,383
Netherlands	2,488	2,178	2,161
Germany	1,647	1,214	735
France	1,497	1,294	997
Italy	1,483	1,043	858
Japan	871	986	928
United States	795	614	668
Norway	367	336	309
Denmark	344	300	280
Sweden	270	275	242

In percentages Britain leads with 59.7 per cent, followed by the Netherlands with 9.9 per cent. Germany with 6.6 per cent. and France with 6 per cent. The American percentage is 3.2 per cent.

VALUE OF GOOD WILL.

BIG SUM INVOLVED IN DODGE BROTHERS MOTOR TRANSACTION.

New York, April 2.—Purchase of Dodge Bros., Inc., automobile manufacturers, for slightly less than $175,000,000 in cash by a banking syndicate headed by Dillon, Read and Co., involves the payment of at least $50,000,000, and possibly more, for the good will of the organization, it was disclosed to-day. This is believed to be the largest sum that such an item has ever commanded in a cash transaction.

Good will in its generally accepted definition in the financial community is described "as a consistent record of earnings over a large period of years derived from a large number of customers."

While definite formula exists for the computation of this item whose real value is dependent upon a number of factors, it has been estimated as high as 10 times the average annual earnings over a period of years. Dodge Brothers' earnings last year are estimated at close to $20,000,000.

General Motors Corporation, in its last annual report, carried "good will and patents" at $22,114,317.

F. W. Woolworth Company, under the original capitalisation plan, carry "good will" at $50,000,000, which was scaled down to $10,000,000 last year, although the equity in the stock has constantly increased. The capital stock, which is carried at $65,000,000, in the balance sheet is actually worth over $300,000,000 a current market price, the difference, in a measure, representing good will.

The Nash Motors Company does not carry any good will item in its balance sheet. Common stock is carried at $1,602,000 but its market value is actually in excess of $81,000,000, which gives an indication of the value of that company's good will.

Detroit, April 2.—Representatives of Dillon, Read and Company continued here to-day the work of completing the details of the transfer of Dodge Brothers, Inc., to their banker employers. The public was without assurance, however, that further details of the unusual financial transfer would be given out immediately. Added information "from time to time" was assured by the spokesman of the company last night without definite statement when the silence, continued here for two days, would again be broken.

Short announcement was made last night that the sale had been consummated, except for very minor details. Announcement of the sale was made in New York at the same time, where the price was set in financial circles at something above $150,000,000 and possibly $175,000,000. Earlier information during the day had intimated that the entire transaction might be on a cash basis. The announcement disposed of the rumours that the sale was part of a many millions' consolidation embracing plants not now in General Motors.

So far as known here, the long conferences preceding the announcement of the sale were between the representatives of the Eastern Banking Company, who were momentarily in touch with their home office by 'phone. Just before the announcement of the sale, Wm. Sayburn, attorney, reputedly a representative of certain of the Dodge heirs, to whom he is related by marriage, spent a few moments with the Dillon, Read forces. Neither Sayburn, nor the trustees of the Dodge estate had any comment to make upon the announcement of the sale, except that it was true.

AUSTRALIA.

MARCH TRADE ACTIVITY.

In spite of labour difficulties, which are reported to be easier, including the waterside workers' strike, the month of March was an active period for Australian business, with the economic situation better than at any time since 1914, according to a cable to the Department of Commerce by Trade Commissioner Babbitt, Melbourne. The fall exporting season is still going strong, with wool, wheat and butter moving in good quantity at satisfactory prices.

Wheat prices have fluctuated somewhat during the month, but have maintained a level of between 63.5d. and 6s. 10d a bushel, the latter figure being reached at the middle of the month.

On March 21 the wheat situation was a little uneasy owing to the American situation, and no prices were being quoted. Wool appears to be strengthening, reacting, it is believed, to the wool sales curtailment plan, which is limiting offerings about 50 per cent.

This plan is being followed in an effort to bolster up prices, and is opposed by British wool interests. In carrying out the plan several sales were cancelled during the early part of the month.

NO BUYERS FOR SHIPS.

The Federal Government announced at the beginning of the month that the Commonwealth Shipping Line, which has run a deficit of £11,500,000 since its inauguration, would be sold, but absence of further reports on the subject indicates that no purchaser has been found. The fleet is valued at £4,500,000, according to government estimates.

Imports during January registered increases in all the major items except corn and flour sacks, which were on hand by that time in anticipation of the coming wheat harvest.

Total exports during the seven months ended January, 1925, reached a value of £90,738,000, as compared with £64,775,000 for the corresponding period, ended January, 1924, while imports have advanced from £83,640,000 to £88,181,000 over the same period. During the period ended January, 1924, the balance was about 20 per cent against the Commonwealth.

WOOL PRODUCTION INCREASES.

During January, exports fell off considerably, owing to the smaller shipments of wool (a seasonal decline), butter and canned fruits. Wheat shipments alone among the principal exports registered an increase.

According to the Pastoral Review, wool exports from July, 1924, to February, 1925, inclusive, aggregated 1,225,300 bales as compared with 1,165,244 bales during the corresponding period in 1923-24, while production on the basis of receipts in store amounted to 1,891,300 bales for the 1924-25 period as compared with 1,468,306 bales during the corresponding months of 1923-24.

Trade with the United States continues to increase. During the last six months of 1924 Australia's exports to the United States reached £3,194,189 compared with imports from the United States aggregating £16,530,272.

CRISIS OVER.

AUSTRIA'S FINANCIAL POSITION.

"Austria is over the financial crisis of last year," Dr. Richard Reisch, president, and Dr. Braunels manager of the National Bank of Austria, on a visit to London, said:

Dr. Braunels said: "Note circulation has been reduced by 780,000,000,000 paper crowns during the last six months. The price level, which was rising up to the end of 1924, reached stability in January of this year, and for March there was a decline of two points in the retail and one point in the wholesale index. Another good sign is the large increase in savings deposits these last few months.

"Although the trade balance has been adverse, reserves of foreign exchange have not diminished. The ratio of cash reserves to circulation is larger than at the end of the year. Market speculation has practically ceased.

"Industry is still stagnant for want of working capital. Short credit costs 18-20 per cent. Long credits are unobtainable. The hesitation of Austrian industry to publish statements in gold leaves the public in doubt as to the real assets of the companies, and makes foreigners slow to advance money to Austrian industry. But a bill is now before Parliament which will offer inducements to companies to secret gold balance sheets.

"Lack of easy credit is a great handicap to Austrian merchants in selling their goods in eastern Europe, where long-time credits are the rule."

Dr. Reisch complained that the critics of Austria are impatient, and expect things to run too fast. He asserted that Austria is really going ahead, now that last year's crisis is over.

FADELESS DYES.

AMERICAN CHEMISTS' DISCOVERIES.

America's millions of cotton users have been definitely freed from foreign domination of fadeless dyes through the discoveries of chemists employed in the colour trade laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, it is asserted in a report by R. Norris Shreve of New York City, chairman of the division of dye chemistry of the American Chemical Society, made public at the society's meeting in Baltimore.

Fadeless vat dyes, the report declares, are now being produced in the United States at prices below their cost in Germany. Savings aggregating millions of dollars to American cotton manufacturers have resulted from the development of cheap intermediates for dye manufacture. These intermediates, particularly necessary for vat dyes, are, it is said, actually being exported to Germany.

"The American manufacturers and vat dyers," says the report, "now have at their disposal cheap and pure products with which to build up the complex molecules characteristic of these colours, which give the brightest shades and the most permanent colours yet made.

"The rapidly fading colours of 1916 and 1917, and the waste entailed in replacement cost for clothes and draperies have given way to sun-fast, no-fade clothes and materials. These are possible because of the vat dyes, and the American vat dyes are with us because of the development of cheap aluminium chloride and phthalic anhydride."

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 8th May 1925.

On London—	
Bank, Wire...	2/8
,, On demand	2/3 1/16
,, 30 day's sight... ...	
,, 4 months' sight ...	2/3-¼
Credits 4 months' sight	2/3-¼
Documentary, 4 months sight	2/4
On Paris—	
On demand	1.60
Credits, 4 months' sight	1.60
On demand	nom.
On New York—	
On demand	84⅞
Credits, 60 days sight	86⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire	150⅜
On demand	
On Calcutta—	
Wire	
On demand	
On Singapore—	
On demand	88⅛
On Manila—	
On demand	109½
On Shanghai—	
On demand	nom.
30 days' sight (private paper)	
On Yokohama—	
On demand	129
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	47
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	8.64
Silver (per oz.)	31⅜

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 10 cents sub. ...	⅛ % dis.
,, 10 ,, ...	¼ % dis.
,, 5 ,, ...	⅜ % dis.
Canton coins ,, ...	⅜ % dis.
Bar Silver in Hongkong	10 % pm.
Chinese Copper Cash ...	10 % pm.
Chinese Copper Cents ...	6 % pm.
Rate of Native Interest	5 % 11 % ont
Chinese Sub. Coin ...	32½ % dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin. ...	par.

COTTON CONSUMER.

The automobile and tyre industries are among the largest consumers of cotton in America. Last year nearly 80,000,000 pounds of cotton fabric was used in the manufacture of tyres, the average cord tyre requiring 3,510 pounds.

About 160,000,000 square yards of material were used for imitation leather and seat covering, while large quantities were also used for tops and side curtains for open cars.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

10.30 A.M.

MAY 8 Names of Bank	Stock Exchange	MAY 8. Sharebrokers' Association
H.S.B.C. T.T. on selling rate		
London ... 2/3		2/3
and on Shanghai ... 73.1 g		73-1/3
Hongkong Banks 1235 b 1230 sa	London—£129 n	b 1225 sa 12 0
Chartered Bank	£21½ b.	b. £21-1/2
Mercantile Bank A B	£22-1/2 b.	b. "A" £23½
do. C	£13-1/8 b.	b. "C" £13⅜
P. & O. Bank	£ 11⅜ n.	b. £11⅜
East Asia Bank	97½ sa	n. 100
Marine Insurance		
Canton Insurance...	780 b.	b. 775
China Undrs	3.40 b. 3.40 sa	b 3.20 s 3.40 sa 3.40 3.45
North China Insurance ...	T140 n.	n 140
Union Insurance	372 b & sa	b 371
Yangtsze Insurance	45 b.	b. 45
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	200 b.	b. 200
Hongkong Fire Insurance...	650 b	b. 650
Shipping		
Douglases	54 s.	n. 52.
H.K. Steamboats	39, b	sa 39 50-39.40
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	4½ n.	b. 4.85
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38 n	n. 38
do. (Def.)	120 s.	
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	120 s.	n. ... 120
Shell Transports	84/- b.	n. 83/-
Star Ferries	83 b 84-84½ sa	b 84 84-1/2/85
Water-boats	17-1/4 n	n. 17½
Oriental Nav. Co.	255 n.	n 255
Refineries		
China Sugar	64 s	n 63-1/2
Malabon Sugar	53 n.	s 51½
Mining		
Benguets	2½ b	
Kailan Mining Adm.	57/- b.	n 57/-
Langkats	0 mb. T15 n	b. 14
Shanghai Loans ...	T 7 n.	n. 7
Shai Explorations...	T5½ s	n. 6
Single Langkats ...	T12½ n.	n. 11-1/2
Raubs	3.30 n.	n. 3½
Tronoh Mines	54/- n.	b "A" 54/-
Ural Casp.	8/- n.	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharfs	201 b 203 sa	sa 198
H. & W. Dock...	110, n	b 120
Shanghai Hongkews	T200 n	
New Engineerings...	T80 n	n. 9-1/2
Shai Docks	T130 b & sa	b 127
Cements		
H. K. Engineerings		
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
H.K. & Shai Hotels 11½ b. 15-15½ sa New—		b. & sa 15
Hongkong Lands	93 b	b 94 sa 95
H.K. Realty	4.65 b	b. 4.65
Humphreys Estates	20-1/2 b. 21 sa	b 20-1/2
Kowloon Lands	8 —	
Princes Building	150 n	n. 150
H.K. Territorials...	2½ b 3 s.	s. 2-1/2
Rural Lands...	10 n.	
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ...	T 11½ sa.	n 11½
Kung Yiks	—	
Lucu Kung Mows...	—	
Orientals...	T. 3.90 b.	
Shanghai Cotton	T 57 n. New T 71 n.	s 3.90
Yangtsepoos...	—	n. 60 New 33 n.
Miscellaneous.		
Cements ... ... 21 n. New 9 n		
Cements "Combined ... 29½ b 29½-29 sa		sa. 10 New n. 9
China Lights (Old) ... ... 24 s		(Comb. b 28.80 sa 29-29 10
do (New) 33 n. Comb 34 s & sa		b. 23½
China Providents 16 s. New 16.10 sa.		(New n 21½ Comb 33½ sa 33½
H.K. Developments ... b. 80 Cents		n 15 New sa 14-14.10
Providents Combined ... 49 n.		b. 70 Cents
Dairy Farms	96½ b. 97 sa	Comb. n 48-7/8
H.K. Electrics	85 b & sa.	b 87 sa 87-87½
Macao do	42 n.	b 86
Hongkong and Canton Ices	—	
Hongkong Rope... ... 18 n.	New 10.20 r.	b. 7½
Ropes Combined...	54 n	b 17-1/2 New 10 b
Hongkong Tramways... ...	42 n	n 54
Peak Tramways (Old)... ...	84 b.	b 41 sa 41-42½
Do. (New) ...	84 b.	b. 23
Watson's	231 n New 21½ n.	b. 8.10
Wm. Powells	14 b.	(b 22½ New b 21-1/2
Lane Crawfords	17.10 b	
Canton Ices	7-1/2 b.	b. 16½
H.K. Construction	44 n.	
Nanyang Tobacco		b. 43 45 b
Siccres	12-1/8 n.	b. 8½
Mackintosh	21-1/8 n.	b. 18
H.K. Taxis	7½ sa	
China Buses	T 14-1/8 b.	b. 7½
Trams		
Singapore Trams	13 n.	
Der A. Wing fully paid ...	10 n.	b 1.55
part Do. paid	5 s.	n. 10
United Abesto (Founders)		n. 6
do. (Ordinary) 20 n		n. 600
		n. 18

VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

May 7.

Mr H. Axelrood	Miss H. Little
Mr F. W. Barnes	Miss H. Lillie
Mr. V. Benjamin	Mr G. N. de Man
Mr J. Beck	Mr C. W. Maschal
Mrs. E. R. Bellios	Miss Dorothy Metcalf
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Mr R. J. Brocck	Mr. C. H. Montague
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Mr J. E. Cammwell	Mr E. O Farrell
Mr. D. Cappleman	Mrs Olliver
Mr K.E. Carstenson	Mr Walter Catt
Miss Cohenowith & infant	Mr & Mrs Parsons
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Mr J. H. Cook	Mr Pomeroy
Mr C. M. Cottrell	Mr R. H. Pope
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Mr J. E. Joseph	Mr C. M. Wilson
Mr H. C. Lamond	Mr H. W. Wilson
Mr. & Mrs. C. Lauritzen	Mr and Mrs G Wolsoner & child
Mr A. Linxbird	

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May 1.

Mr & Mrs A. W. Van Adel & child	Mr and Mrs B. J. Lacon
Dr W. F. Attenburg	Mr and Mrs Lang.
Mr and Mrs A. E. A. Banks	
Carleton	Mr & Mrs E. Lund
Mr Corley	Mrs Murray
Mrs and Miss L Ellis	Mrs W. W. Meek
	Mr & Mrs Mi'es
Mr & Mrs A. D Galloway & daughter	Mr and Mrs J. N. Parker
Mr and Mrs Charter Haworth	Mr & Mrs T. Schryver
	Mr & Mrs W. C
Mr and Mrs Hicks	Vander Steen
Mr and Mrs O. B. Leblam	Lt.-Col. & Mrs C. M. Stephens
	Mr & Mrs Townsen

PEAK HOTEL.

May 1.

Dr J. W. Anderson	Mr T. L. Jenkins
Mr S. A. Arthur	Miss O. C. Jenkin
Mr & Mrs F. Austin	Mr G. S Hugh Jones
Miss E. R. Baily	Mr and Mrs A. C.
Dr H. Balean	Kennedy
Mr J. A. Barton	Miss G. Kennedy
Mr and Mrs T. G. Bennett	Mr M. F. Key
	Mr and Mrs E. R.
Mr J. W. C. Bonner	Kill
Mr and Mrs P. W. Blackwell	Mr and Mrs S. H. Langeton
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	Mr and Mrs W. Logan
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Mr R. H. Cleland	Mrs J. McAinsh
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Mr G. M. Hemsworth	Miss C. Willmott
Lt.-Comdr. G. F Hole	Mr and Mrs F. J. Wood
Mr H. Howell	Mr L. H. F. Young

At the Kobe Cricket Club Annual General Meeting held at the Gymnasium, the following officers were elected:—President.—Mr. P. L. Spence; Captain—Mr. R. T. Holder; Vice-Captain—Mr. J. R. Brown; Committee—Messrs. J. Abraham, J. A. Dean and E. A. Young.

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J. B. ROSS,
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7 Queen Road Central,
Hongkong, January 21, 1925.

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Z. YAMAMOTO,
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Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 14th May, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1924.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 14th May, 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hongkong, 27th April, 1925.

HONGKONG & TERRITORIAL ESTATES, LIMITED.

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on Wednesday, the 20th May, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 15th January, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

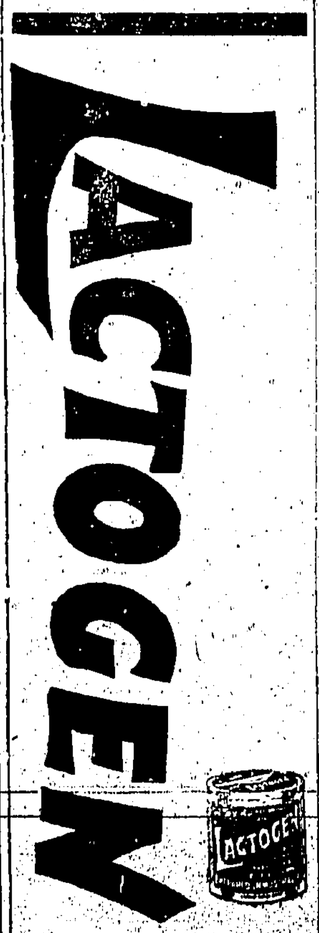
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 9th May, 1925, until Wednesday, the 20th May, 1925, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th May, 1925.

MATTHEW JOHN DENMAN STEPHENS (DECEASED.)

ALL Claims against the Estate of the above deceased must be sent to the Undersigned forthwith.

DEACONS,
Solicitors,
Hongkong
Hongkong, 6th May, 1925.



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INTIMATIONS.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

Club Competitions, 1925.

Members are reminded that entry forms for Club Competitions, Season 1925, are now posted in the Club House. All entries close on Monday, 11th May.

B. WYLIE.
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 27, 1925.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

SEMI-FINALS
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.
Reserved Seats $1 each.

Booking will open at Messrs Moutrie & Co. at 8.30 a.m. on SATURDAY, 9th May.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1925.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

WEATHER and Ground permitting, it is hoped to carry out the following programme in the

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS.

Semi-Final Singles (Top Half) 11th May, (White tickets).
Semi-Final Singles (Bottom half) 20th May (Yellow tickets)
Final Singles 21st May (Red tickets).
Final Doubles 22nd May. (Pink tickets).

Hongkong, 8th May, 1925.

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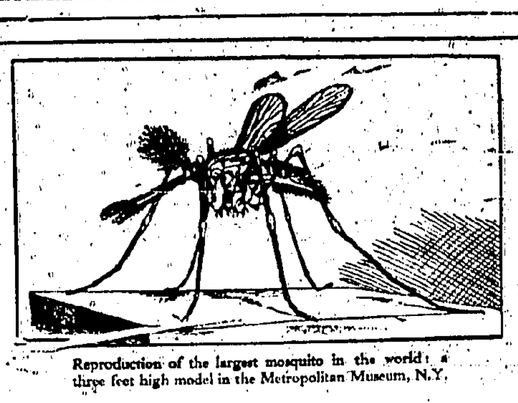

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Reports of General Freydenberg's successes in Morocco have only partially allayed the growing apprehensions that a big campaign lies ahead of the French forces. General Colombat, with a column, has arrived before Bibane and encountered solidly organised Riffis in successive lines of trenches, covered by remarkably accurate artillery fire, hitherto practically unknown in Morocco, suggesting that Europeans are working the native guns. The latest news indicates that the French have stemmed the enemy advance, though a number of French posts are still besieged. —Reuter.

PARIS, May 8.

Matin says that Abdel Krim's surprise attack on the French zone was made by a semi-modern army equipped with quickfiring guns, about fifty heavy guns, a few tanks and half a dozen aeroplanes. Its objective was to cut the Fez-Tazza railway and then rouse subject tribes against the French.

A successful surprise attack is no longer possible in consequence of hurrying up reinforcements from Algeria and the work of relieving the French position, which continue methodically. The French counter-offensive, however, did not extend beyone the French zone.—Reuter.

PARIS, May 8.

According to the papers it appears that Abdel Krim hurled an attack against the French zone in order to cut the Fez-Taza railway line, but the offensive broke down and the situation is settled. Clearing operations are progressing methodically.—Reuter.

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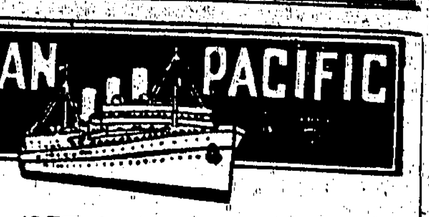

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"SOUDAN"	6,898	28th May	S'pore, Penang Col'bo & Bombay
"MOREA"	10,911	30th May	Marseilles and London
"NAGOYA"	6,884	2nd June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"JEYPORE"	5,319	6th June	Singapore and Bombay
"SICILIA"	6,813	11th June	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"KALYAN"	9,118	13th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	13th June	Singapore and Penang
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	8,087	11th July	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"KASHMIR"	8,986	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,902	25th July	Marseilles & London
"SOUDAN"	6,898	6th Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles and London
"SICILIA"	6,813	3rd Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"NARKUNDA"	6 227	5th Sept.	Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,128	19th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,135	3rd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TAKLIWA"	7,936	15th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAIREA"	7,933	31st May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TARADA"	6,949	4th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,000	7th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

†"TANDA"	6,958	3rd June	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th July	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th Aug.	do.
†"TANDA"	6,958	2nd Sept.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th Oct.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Nov.	do.

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"TARADA"	6,949	15th May	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"KALYAN"	9,118	6th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"SICILIA"	6,813	16th May	Shanghai and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	29th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"ARAFURA"	8,000	8th June	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	8,986	12th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,087	12th June	Shanghai and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,006	21st June	Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,902	26th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th July	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	10th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,898	10th July	Shanghai and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	24th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMALA"	9,128	7th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SICILIA"	6,813	7th Aug.	Shanghai and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,958	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NARKUNDA"	16,227	21st Aug.	Shanghai
"KHIVA"	9,136	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,087	4th Sept.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"ARAFURA"	8,000	12th Sept.	Shanghai and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	9 144	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	6,898	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Oct	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MANTUA"	10,902	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	28th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	12th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.

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The U.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai on May 1 and is due here on May 18.

The D.S.L. s.s. "Tres. Hayes" which is due at this port on May 25, sailed from San Francisco on Apr. 25—on schedule.

The B. F. s.s. "Teiresias" left Liverpool on Apr. 25 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Hankow and is due at this port on or about May 30.

The B. F. s.s. "Wemmon" left Liverpool on Apr. 14 for Straits Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on or about June 6.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at 12.20 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS, LIMITED.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL GENENAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Offices, China Buildings (Fourth Floor, East Side), Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, 16th May, 1925, at noon for the purposes following, namely:—

(a) To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st March, 1925.

(b) To elect Directors in the place of those retiring by rotation and an Auditor.

(c) To sanction the declaration of a dividend.

(d) To sanction the issue of 9,000 Preferred Ordinary Shares of $10 each ranking equally with the Preferred Ordinary Shares already issued, the conditions of issue to be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

(e) To transact any other ordinary business of the company.

The Transfer Books of the company will be closed from the 14th day of May to the 16th day of May, both inclusive.

Dated 9th day of May, 1925.

By Order,
M. W. STEVENS,
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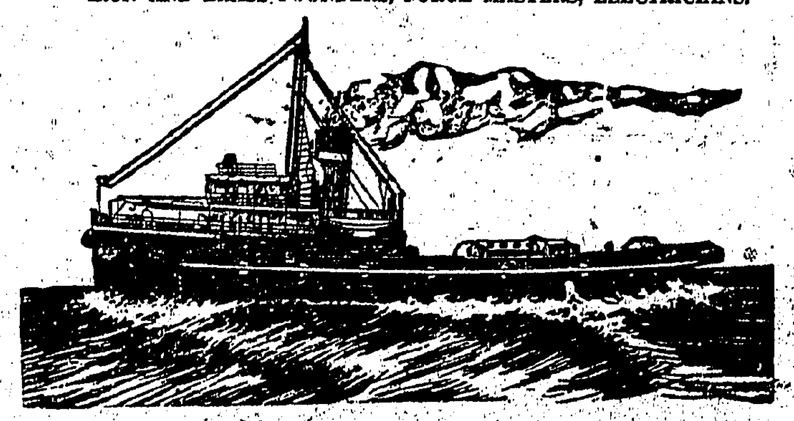

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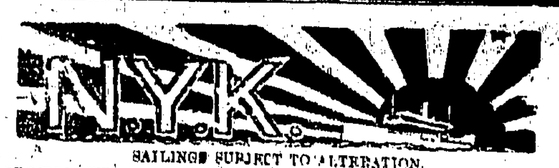

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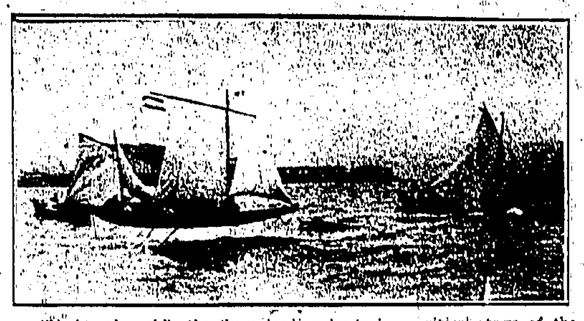
LAWN BOWLS SEASON.

Photos by Mee Fong.

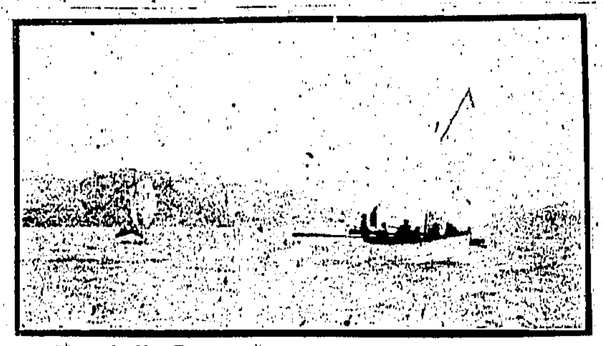
On Saturday last, the official lawn bowls season opened in Hongkong with an almost full programme of league matches. Pictures shown above are from snapshots taken at the Craigengower Cricket Club which, in spite of a brief bowls history, has appeared with success in the senior division. In the match above they beat Kowloon Dock (last season's junior champions who have been promoted) by the narrow margin of 54 points to 53.

TREVESSA TROPHY.



"Neck and neck"—the three leading boats in a critical stage of the race for the Trevessa Trophy, held Wednesday last in memory of the s.s. Trevessa's gallant feat on the high seas.

Mr. W. B. Wilkinson (cox) and his crew from the Douglas steamer Haiching which won the race. Commodore Stirling presented Mr. Wilkinson with a cup and trophy and complimented the winners on the fine way in which they had commemorated Captain Forster's feat of endurance triumphant over privations.



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Another stage of the race in which ship's boats from the following vessels in harbour took part:—Haiching, Anhui, Tjitaroem, Kwangtung, Mausang, Tjisondari, Talthybius, Cheongshing, Hangsang, Taming, Van Cloon and Chaksang. The four named first finished in the order given.

MR. M. J. D. STEPHENS LAID TO REST.

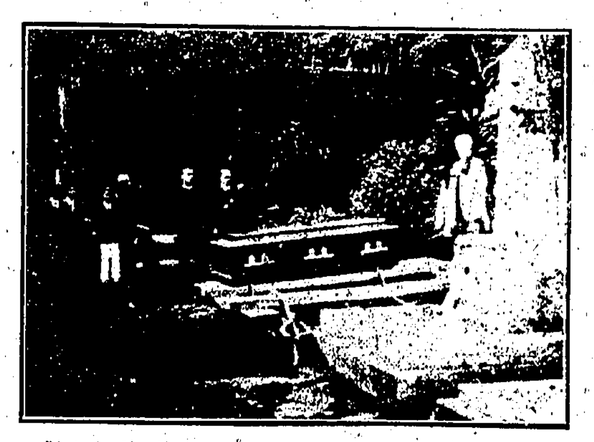


Photo by Mee Fong.

Admitted to practice in 1872, Mr. M. J. D. Stephens was the senior solicitor of the Colony and second only to Sir Paul Chater in length of service in Hongkong when he passed away on Tuesday, April 29 at No. 5, Peak Road. Our photo shows the Rev. W. T. Featherstone officiating at the graveside.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Bearing ample testimony to the respect in which the late Mr. Stephens was held is the mass of floral tributes, representative of the whole Colony, which were brought to the Cemetery.

INTERESTING HONGKONG PRESENTATION.

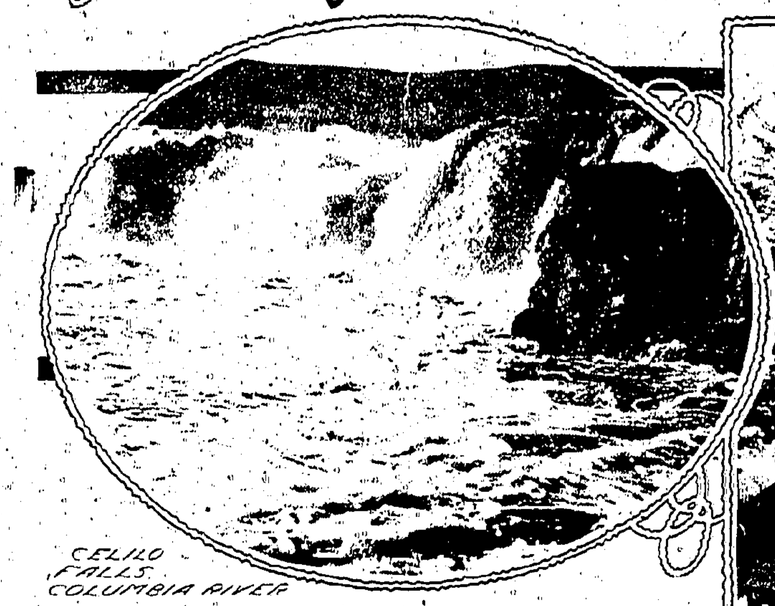
Photo by Mee Fong.

On Friday last, Mr. Henry Tobias, Shanghai manager of Messrs. N. Lazarus, British opticians, was honoured by the Hongkong office while passing through the Colony en route for Home, on leave for the first time in twelve years. Outside the Hongkong offices in Queen's Road Central, a monster string of firecrackers was set off. In the middle of the group are (left to right), Mr. E. A. Cooper (local manager), Mrs. L. A. Tobias, Mrs. Henry Tobias, Mr. Henry Tobias (holding a silver cup presented by the local Chinese staff) and behind him, Mr. L. A. Tobias of Hongkong. All the Chinese are employed at the Hongkong office.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Mr. Henry Tobias, Shanghai manager of Messrs. N. Lazarus, the well-known firm of opticians, snapped outside the local office with a silver cup presented to him by the Chinese staff, on his way here while going Home on leave. With him is Mrs. Henry Tobias.

DID NEOLITHIC MAN USE THIS GATEWAY?



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MULTNOMAH FALLS, ONE OF AMERICA'S MOST BEAUTIFUL FALLS.

THE NEEDLES

Did Neolithic man use the natural highway of the Columbia river gap in spreading East over the North American continent from the Pacific Slopes? Did he cross Bering Straits, go down the Pacific Coast and entering the first large estuary penetrate into the interior? Learned professors who have recently made a study of human remains found in prehistoric mounds on the coast of our North-west affirm that this is so and that primitive man moved down from Alaska, followed the fertile coastal regions and after enjoying the tasteful salmon, pressed forward along the Columbia to the plateaux of Oregon and Washington and finally deployed to the East and to all parts of the American Continent.

[By KATHERINE LOUISE SMITH.]

Whether in the early ages man used the Columbia River as the gateway to America is a theory full of possibilities, but there is no doubt to-day but the Columbia forms one of the most beautiful and interesting entrances into the North-western States. There are three large rivers that can be called the most picturesque large waterways in America. The Hudson with its Palisades, the Mississippi with its green-clad bluffs and the Columbia with its many miles of cliffs and their falling cascades. The Yukon and the Mississippi are our longest rivers, but undoubtedly the Hudson, Mississippi and Columbia are our most beautiful large streams.

Discovered By Gray.

Let us imagine Captain Gray, skipper of the Washington, setting out from Boston on some commercial adventure backed by Yankee merchants. Captain Kendrick, of the Columbia, also set out at the same time, and both were bound for the Pacific North-west. This was in 1788, and in the following year, having safely made the voyage round the Horn, they exchanged ships, and Gray sailed for his home port, returning in 1791 to the North Pacific Coast. On his way up the Coast Gray imagined he saw an unknown river, and on his "southward" trip in 1792 he determined to investigate. Just three hundred years after, Columbus made his historic voyage of discovery Gray discovered the great Columbia and sailed up the stream for a "number of miles, named it Columbia, and thereby became an important figure in the history of our country. Captain Cook, who in 1778, explored this coast had failed to notice the entrance, and ships of Vancouver, who deployed around these waters first learned of the river from Captain Gray, whom they met at sea. Soon the river became an important element in determining the North-western boundary and the Lewis and Clark expedition in 1804-6 led to the mouth of the stream, and the settlement of the fur-trading centre of Astoria at that point. Then came the expression, "the Oregon country." "Where rolls the Oregon?" How came this name as well as Columbia? Captain John Carver called this region the Oregon, and so many other explorers have done the same that investigators have decided it must come from the Spanish Aragon, a name given the whole North-west by the Spanish explorers.

Columbia Or Oregon.

Columbia or Oregon, the river is a mile [illegible] in places near its mouth fifteen miles wide and over [illegible] miles long, [illegible], a basin of approximately five [illegible] thousand square miles. Naturally, in a stream of this length there are many parts not navigable and other stretches where boats ply between bars which present unforgettable phases of wild nature. One beautiful reach is in the Canadian Kootenays, and it seems hard to realize that the same stream hundreds of miles away forms a bandary between Oregon and Washington, and finally enters the Pacific near the great headland Cape Disappointment, the San Roque, of Spanish days. Few of our rivers have better opportunities for sightseeing. It is possible to enjoy this river from the new National Highway which skirts it shore on the south bank, or from one of the boats which make daily trips up and down the stream.

An Engineering Feat.

The Highway is one of America's newest pathways for the recreationist. It is a great pathway for everyone who visits our North-west. Its scenic beauties have been likened to a combination of the Alps, the Rhine and Southern Italy with the wild grandeur of the American Cascades but it is also noteworthy as a great engineering project. Going west it reaches Astoria and Seaside on the Pacific and running east it pierces and enters the historic gorge of the Columbia and passes sixty miles of cliffs and falling waters. This wonderful road hangs on cliffs in many places hundreds of feet above the stream; at other points it is virtually at the level of the waters. Picturesque bridges span turbulent streams which sprawl many feet beneath and for miles of its length the road is supported by quaint walls of dry masonry. As one drives along the magnificent scenery on both sides of the Columbia is unfolded mile by mile, and within ten miles of travel there are eleven beautiful waterfalls, including Multnomah, the highest waterfall in our country. At Hitchell's Point is a tunnel with open windows cut in solid rock.

The Boat Trip.

The crags, cascades and cloud capped hills of the Columbia are also seen to good advantage from a steamer. At the Coast one sees Dutch, French, German, Norwegian, Russian, Italian and Danish craft of every description, but the stupendous scenery is what attracts. Near the junction of the Columbia and Willamette rivers five white mountain peaks, the glories of two States may be seen at one time—Mt. Hood and Mt. Jefferson in Oregon, and Mt. Rainier, Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Adams in Washington. Not far away may be seen the site of the old Hudson Bay post, and the one time headquarters of Grant and Sheridan. The Gorge of the Columbia discloses some unique features that show to good advantage from the boat. At its entrance are Table Rock and Rooster Rock, the latter of great beauty as it stands in solid relief against the purple shadows of the hills.

Further up the river is Cape Horn, magnificent towering pillars of rock rising perpendicularly from five hundred to twenty-five hundred feet. They are palisades that rise "green mossed and dripping to the vaulted skies," and just beyond are revealed the Columbia's special glory, its waterfalls and cascades which dash from lofty precipices on the Oregon shore and gleam through mist laden ferns and boughs. The first falls making music as they dash through mosses, ferns and vines are Gordon Falls; then follow Latourelle and Bridal Falls (the latter two require an excursion back from the river to enjoy). Next the Multnomah leaps from a wall a distance of 850 feet, the threadlike width deceiving the onlooker for it is thirty-two feet wide at the top. Following this grandest of the Columbia River's falls come the Horse Tail Falls and the fleecy Mist Falls, each different and fascinating.

Legend Of A Great Bridge.

Shortly after attention is riveted on the Washington shore for Castle Rock which Lewis and Clark called Beacon Rock looms up. It covers thirteen and a half acres and can be seen for miles. No wonder Lewis and Clark used it for a landmark. The Indians, too, play their part in the stories of this inspiring river. In one place, on the Washington side is seen the north abutment of the "Bridge of the Gods." The legends say that at one time the great stream was spanned at this point by a natural bridge, but Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams quarrelled and in their rage the great bridge was shattered. Still more romantic is the story that an Indian brave from the Oregon side married an Indian maiden from the Washington side in spite of the opposition of their tribes. As they started across the bridge to his home they were pursued by her disappointed suitors and kinsmen. Hardly had they reached safety than the bridge fell, carrying with it their advancing enemies. At any rate the bridge fell and formed rapids in the river.

Indians play a prominent part in legends of this river. Castle Rock, 1,146 feet high, whose summit has only recently been scaled by the white man, was an Indian lookout, and Memaloose Island was used by the Indians for many years as a burying ground, the dead being placed in pine huts. On this island is the grave of Vicor Trevitt, a pioneer river man whose wish was to be buried with the Indians. "If there should be such a thing as a resurrection," this sceptic said, "I will take my chance with the Indians."

The Dalles.

Fish wheels in operation gather the succulent salmon in many places and there are the Dalles and the falls of Celilo—thirty feet high—and the locks which lift the boats to the level of the Middle Columbia. All these are a part of the enjoyment of a trip on the Columbia. Above the Dalles the river becomes unnavigable, caused by balastic formations and this stretch is a favourite spot among the Indians, many of whom live near by. During the fishing season they can be seen far out on the rocks spearing salmon which are dried in the sun and used as food.

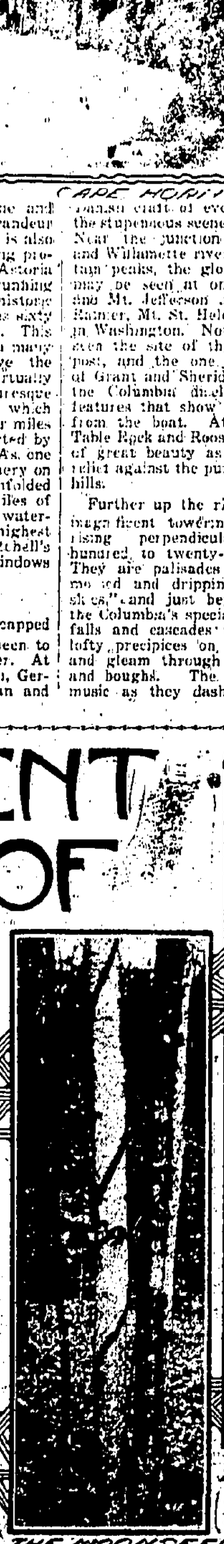
This mighty river with a flow of over 1,000,000 cubic feet of water every second — greater than either the Mississippi or St. Lawrence—fed by everlasting snow fields and glaciers, winds its way through the Pacific North-west and at the mouth the tide reaches in for one hundred and fifty miles. Its crags, cascades, cataracts and falls are worth going many miles to see. If Neolithic man chose this water way to enter this continent he is to be congratulated on his good taste and foresight. At any rate present-day man can see no more picturesque river.

CONSISTENT TWISTS OF NATURE

ON THE LEFT THE BEAN, DUTCHMAN'S PIPE AND CLIMBING BUCKWHEAT TWINE TO THE RIGHT — ON THE RIGHT THE HONEYSUCKLE, HOP AND WILD YAM TWINE TO THE LEFT — (PHOTOS COURTESY NATURE MAGAZINE)

IN A SOUR-WOOD TREE THAT IS TWISTING THE GRAIN ALMOST INVARIABLY WINDS TO THE RIGHT

IN PRACTICALLY ALL THE TWISTING RED MAPLE TREES THE CURVATURE IS TO THE LEFT



THE MOONSEED VINE ALWAYS CLIMBS BY WINDING TO THE RIGHT.

TRUNKS OF CHESTNUT TREES USUALLY CURVE TO THE LEFT

Vines May Curve to the Right or to the Left, But the Twining is Uniform—Trees Have Similar Habits.

[By NORMAN C. McLOUD.]

In climbing a pole does a vine twist to the left or to the right?

To Nature Lovers the question is full of interest; and since most of us find pleasure in the curious workings of natural laws the answer is worth the seeking. Close observation reveals striking individuality in the twining habits of plant growth.

Some vines twist to the right after the fashion of the hands of a clock in circling the dial. Others turn to the left and seem to grow backwards. In most cases the habit is fixed throughout an entire group or family. In others there is variation, even among vines of close kinship.

Climbing Vines are interesting forms of growth, which depend on outside help for their means of support. In order that they may realize their ambition to rise in the world they avail themselves of any upright object available, whether growing or otherwise. The support may be the trunk of a tree, the post of a fence or the wall of a building. Any object affording a chance to climb is welcome to the climbers.

More Than One Way To Climb.

In establishing themselves on their supports the vines have notions of their own as to the ways and means to be adopted. Most climbers attach themselves by coiling. With others the contact with the tree or post is effected by means of adhesive disks, as in the case of the widely distributed Virginia Creeper. Another type of vine attaches itself by means of tendrils which are thrown out in all directions to take hold of anything in reach. In this latter class are the gourd and the grape, the grasping tendrils of which are familiar to everyone.

Whether twining or otherwise fastened to its support, the vine has a definite object in view when the upward journey is undertaken. To the Nature student the climbing habit is essentially utilitarian. Ascending growth is necessary to the fulfilment of the vine's life mission of displaying its flowers to the flitting bees and offering its seeds to the winds and the birds. Unless enabled to escape from the crowded plant life of the surface the vine would be submerged and hidden, and would meet with failure in its efforts to provide the bees with material for the making of honey and the birds with a valuable source of food supply. In similar fashion the plant would be cheated of a chance for reproduction through the scattering of its seeds by birds and breezes.

The climbing habits of the various species of vines have been given close study by students of natural science. Observations along this line have covered a wide field and brought to light many interesting points which the average person easily overlooks. In discussing the subject for the American Nature Association, Dr. Frederick Brooks has pointed out peculiarities in which most of us will find suggestions for surprise-breeding observations of our own.

The case of the climbing bean of the home garden is one of the striking examples of individuality in vines. This form of vegetation always twines to the right. Wild or tame, sturdy or poorly nourished, in sunlight or in shade, the bean twists in the one direction. No allurement of nature seems to influence it to the left. The bean rises in a right-hand spiral with a persistence not to be overcome.

The hop vine is similarly constant but not in the same direction. With this plant the growth is always to the left, and Dr. Brooks reports that his observation has never revealed an exception to this dominant rule.

Among the right-hand twiners we find the climbing buckwheat, dodder, moonseed vine and Dutchman's pipe. Among those twisting to the left are the wild yam and the Japanese honeysuckle. With any of these plants the amateur will find an interesting field of experiment in trying to force the growth in the opposite direction. Efforts of this character develop the full stubbornness of the vines and bring ultimate failure of the human effort. In this respect the vines seem to know what they want and to defy the efforts of mankind to divert them from their course.

Families Vary.

Study of the spirals reveals curious variations. While a particular species will stick to its habits with staunch insistence, other members of the same family will strike off in the opposite direction. The morning-glories offer good example of this peculiarity of family tendencies. Most of the plants of this group twine to the right, with no departure from the established rule. In at least one species, however, the custom meets with complete reversal and the vine is always found twisting to the left. Just why this variation should occur has never been determined, although the tendency is widely recognized by students of natural science. The popular flowering wisteria is another vine of variable characteristics. In his report to the American Nature Association Dr. Brook cites three species of wisteria growing on the grounds of his own home. In the vines of two species each stem and branch curves to the right. On the third variety the twining is invariably in the opposite direction.

Science has given no satisfactory explanation of the constancy of vine spirals. That the problem should have received considerable attention at the hands of botanists is altogether natural, because of the distinctiveness and persistence of the twining characteristics of the various species. Several explanations have been brought forward. As one attempt at solution it has been suggested that in some species of vines the tip of the growing plant is attracted by the sun and drawn toward the bright light. Influence of this nature, it is figured, would result in a left-hand twist "against the clock." On the other hand it is argued that some species are repelled by the sun and follow the clock-hands from left to right. Whatever the cause, the results themselves are full of interest and well worth noting for ourselves when opportunity is offered.

Tree Trunks Are Twisted.

Vines are not alone in the peculiar characteristics of twining growth. The spiral tendency is definitely established for the trees as well. In many species of forest growth we find trunks that are as strikingly twisted as the vines which may have encompassed their trunks. In tree growth, of course, the spiral has less emphasis, but it is none the less noticeable and impressive.

On some trees the twisting habit manifests itself even in the development of the bark, and examination will show the outside covering of the trunks winding their way toward the top in consistent spirals. The real manifestation of this characteristic, however, is found by the man engaged in splitting a trunk for firewood. In work of this kind the labour is often doubled by the difficulty of separating the twisted fibres of the wood—an experience with which every rail-splitter or wood-cutter is familiar.

Constancy of direction is not found in the twisting tendency of all trees, but there are several species in which the habit of growth is practically uniform, and in which all specimens will show the same characteristics of twining to either right or left. This is especially true in the case of the chestnut. The wood of this tree is altogether apt to be marked by twisting fibres, and it has been found that in most cases the direction of the twist is toward the left. Specimens with the right-hand twining of the grain are declared to be *comparatively scarce. In the case of* the common beech the tendency is the same, and like the chestnut, these trees produce spirals of left-hand twist. This is also true of the staghorn sumac, that widely distributed tree of the brilliant red berries and scarlet foliage widely scattered throughout a large portion of the United States.

When it comes to the growth of tendrils the vines show fine disregard of the law of spirals. There is no sense of direction in a tendril, as these offshoots of the parent stem adapt themselves to the convenience of the moment in choosing their direction of growth. Reaching forth to find a twig or wire on which to fasten themselves, the tendrils of a grape or hop vine will extend themselves in the direction offering the best foothold, right, left, up, down or otherwise.

In this form of nature study the material is easily reached, even by those of us who live in crowded cities. Rambles in parks, gardens and woodlands will open the way for an interesting field of observation and teach us many of the secrets of nature in the arrangement of her products. The study requires little or no effort and will be found well worth the required attention.

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SAFETY FIRST?

Figures can be made to prove anything. The figures contained in the Colony's statement of assets and liabilities on December 31 last show balance of assets over liabilities to be $13,107,549.29. Proving prosperity? As far as figures can be made to do—yes! The Crown Agents hold $5,314,426.96—a large sum surely; whilst "perishable" assets include railway, P.W.D., and coal stores of over $800,000. If the Crown Agents Deposit Account bears interest on the sum mentioned, then that should comfortably pay the interest on the Government's overdraft at the Bank shown as $1,417,388.33. If not, then obviously it is not good finance. By now this overdraft will have been increased for the liabilities show $2,220,493.91, "Shipping Control Account" now donated to the Home Government for the Singapore Base Scheme. Investment Account is a simple sum of $8,972,105.70. Any criticism of the nature of this item is somewhat hindered by the fact the nominal value of the investments is £1,275,308, 3s. 8d.; the actual cost was £1,051,187. 11s. 1½d.; whilst the market value is £1,142,631. 18s. 0d. But it does not escape notice that practically the whole of this money is invested in Colonial securities in which the highest interest earned is 5% and the lowest 3%. The difference between the actual cost and the market value of these investments seems remarkable; but an examination of the figures proves that in only one instance is there a notable increase and that is in the value of the Funding Loan which has a market value of £749,412.10. 0d. against an actual cost of £662,991. 14s. 9½d., whilst the nominal value is placed at £835,000. 0s. 0d. Can these investments be said to meet the cry—"Safety First"?

Homeless Boys.

The promoters of a scheme for building on Stanley Peninsular an industrial home for poor Chinese children have completed most of the preliminary arrangements including the provision of a site by the Government and particulars of the scheme and of the attitude of the Government are given elsewhere in this issue. The main point that emerges is that it is essentially a private concern and that the institution must in no way be looked upon as a reformatory to which the bad boys of the Colony will be sent, although the adoption of such a course by a magistrate under suitable circumstances and with the permission of the management may come to be looked upon as an accepted thing. It will certainly be a help to the police who are faced with a difficult problem when it comes to dealing with homeless lads. They may be potential if not actual cargo pilferers or bag-snatchers but the mere fact of their homelessness is not sufficient to justify their incarceration in prison where if they not already entered upon such a life they are almost bound to be influenced by those with whom they come into contact. A school where they may be taught to become useful citizens will meet a considerable need and the sponsors of the scheme deserve the thanks of the public for their kindly forethought, also the Government for having done all in its power to make the task of preparation easy. Organisers of charitable schemes such as this should take note of the attitude adopted by the Government and be encouraged to come forward with concrete proposals such as were made in this instance for it is obviously to the advantage of the Colony that provision should be made for the homeless rather than that they should have to be shipped and re-shipped to their places of origin.

Working for Pleasure.

Whatever may be said of the business character of many of his "philanthropic" ventures, the late Lord Leverhulme, like one of whom Hongkong has recently been deprived, is said to have "done good by stealth" and one gift of as much as £30,000 to a deserving charity on condition that it should remain anonymous is testified to by Lord Birkenhead. In spite of his profit-sharing schemes, his model town for employees and his advocacy of the six-hour day, it would not appear that he was looked upon with a deal of favour in the labour world, a state of affairs almost inevitable when one considers that he was a millionaire representative of the capitalist. He was not the type of man, either, who would make friends easily with men of equal social position to that which he attained in later years, and his maltreatment of the portrait painted by Mr. Augustus John also his action in taking over in the Hebrides was the subject of much adverse comment at the time. He was, however, a man of quick decisions and quick actions and to this without doubt he owes the position in the business world he attained from the lowly office of errand boy. This quickness of decision is exemplified by a recorded action of his when a child hurt itself on the spikes of a fence at Port Sunlight—the next morning every spike in the place had a brass ball on top of it. For a septuagenarian he gave the appearance of being a wonder of a man, and until recent years was physically strong and ever healthy. Mentally he remained alert to the last, controlling the affairs of the great business concern of which he was chief with an alertness and grasp of detail which many a young man might envy. Asked how he kept so young he replied "I keep fit by taking my pleasure in my work. Work is my greatest joy and it is that and regular habits which keep me well. I am not a teetotaller but I only take alcohol on special occasions."

BEATEN AGAIN.

RAIN DEFEATS COUNTY CRICKET.

NO PLAY IN 3 DAYS!

Rain everywhere has again affected county cricket" at Home, says a Reuter London cable of yesterday evening.

At Lord's, not a ball was bowled in three days in the match between the M.C.C. and Kent!

Hampshire, playing at Nottingham, took first inning points from Nottingham. Notts batted first and were dismissed for 187. Hants replied with 225, Brown, G., getting 97. Notts, in their second venture, were 2 runs for no wicket when play ceased.

Yorkshire, on a visit to Cardiff, were beaten by the rain, as the match was abandoned and there was no play except on the first day. Thanks to Holmes, P., scoring 97 not out, Yorkshire were 134 for 1 wicket when the rain came on and defeated both the Tykes and the Taffys.

At Cambridge, the University defeated Sussex by 40 runs. Cox, G., took 6 wickets for 39 in the 'Varsity's first innings, the Light Blues compiling only 98. Sussex went in and came out for only 80 runs. Cambridge then made 197 and got rid of their visitors for 175, S. T. M. Jagger (who is not an old Blue) taking 5 wickets for 40 runs.

Oxford University, playing at home, drew with Lancashire. The Dark Blues had first knock and got 126, Parkin, C., taking 6 wickets for 31 runs. The Lancastrians replied with 159 and then Oxford hit up 156, J. L. Guise, this year's captain, scoring 63 and Parking again getting 6 wickets, this time for 67 runs. Lancashire were 2 runs for no wicket when the match was left drawn.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Boxing Decision.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—I must admit that "One of the Boys" talks sense even if he is misguided enough to claim that Cartlidge won on points or that the verdict of "draw" was fair to either of the contestants.

I also admit that a lot of what he says is information to me. He knows a good deal about boxing criticism even if he is "biased" and not "unbiased."

He says that Cartlidge told friends that he had won with the exception of three rounds. My contention is that Cartlidge had very little advantage at the end of the twelfth round and that Dupree went ahead and scored enough to give him the verdict.

I regret what I wrote about Cartlidge's record. On his record he should have put up a still better show and not left the decision in doubt. That is my point.

As regards holding, I must ask "One of the Boys" to find out from Jim what made him clasp Dupree's left with both gloves in the last round.

His orgy of queries I must leave unanswered as only Cartlidge and Dupree can answer them properly.

Since it is not likely that a return contest will be put on, I gladly avail myself of your correspondent's acceptance. Mr. Editor, you have both our names and you will be doing us a favour by passing on the names. Open space or ring, I do not mind backing up my claim to a knowledge of the manly art but I plead "not guilty" to being judged by my pocket as I had nothing on the bout, not being able to get the price and amount I wanted.

Yours, etc.,
CANDID.

Hongkong, May 8.

[The "China Mail," as stated, has no wish to usurp the functions of the Boxing Association. Correspondents must keep strictly to the subject and not enter into personalities, otherwise the Editor will have no option but to impose his ban.—Editor, "China Mail."]

Hongkong Education.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Why all this insistence on certificated teachers? Is a certificated teacher the last word in teachers and the *art* of teaching? I think not. A certificated teacher represents a person who has passed fairly well in a considerable number of subjects. I think I am right in suggesting that the art of teaching—the best method of presenting a subject to a class—is not included. There are people competent to teach and yet without the ability to cram to enable them to pass the certificate examination. A relative of mine was in this class, was highly complimented on the former, and although married keenly urged to continue her work in the interests of education. No one should be allowed to attempt to teach unless there is shown the ability to teach—and there should be instruction and examination on these lines. This matter has degenerated into a social aspect: A person having gone to Oxford or Cambridge and secured the usual degrees is the only thing that matters. Such an one may be expected not to eat peas with his knife or curry with his fingers, and to wear evening dress when invited to the Peak. Whether able to teach makes no matter.

At the same time there may be some arguable points in Mr. Orme's contentions; but some of his own statements in the recent debate were, to say the least, childish. He spoke of his own experience in teaching Chinese. What experience? Teaching Greek to University students? If so, as an experience, of no value at all.

Yours, etc.,
EX-TEACHER.

Hongkong, May 8.

Local Tennis.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Mutilation by one of your printers has upset the purport of an important paragraph in my letter which you so kindly inserted to-day. I took no copy but what I had intended was not this:—

Re tennis exhibition—Why should Ng Sze-kwong be asked to play three matches when Honda only appears in the singles on one day? Honda is champion. I have it on good authority that our ex-champion played O'Callaghan to one set all shortly after the latter's arrival. In this may be found the explanation of Ng Sze-kwong's absence from the tournament. Tottenham ought to prove an attraction as he is a newcomer and O'Callaghan deserves to play all he can as he is the only one likely to * play one or two of the doubles matches? On reputation they deserve the honour but it may be due to their being, as a pair in the tournament, still in the doubles championship.

The sentence marked with a star should be

Tottenham ought to prove an attraction as he is a newcomer and O'Callaghan deserves to play all he can as he is the only one likely to * give the famous visitors a run for their money. Why could not the Rumjahns *—(this is the missing part)—play one or two of the doubles matches? On reputation they deserve the honour but it may be due to their being, as a pair in the tournament, still in the doubles championship.

Yours, etc.,
REFORMER.

Hongkong, May 8.

British Income Tax Refunds.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—For the benefit of any persons who may be unaware that they are entitled to recover a considerable sum of money should they derive any income from English registered companies, may I be permitted to point out the following salient facts:—

(1) Every person of British nationality is now entitled to recover either the whole or a proportion of any British Income Tax deducted at source from his dividends.

(2) This includes dividends which are stated to be paid "free of tax," or even when no deduction for tax is shown on the ividend voucher in the case of a British registered company.

(3) No liability on income not derived from Great Britain can be incurred by putting in these claims.

(4) The amount recoverable varies from a small amount to hundreds of pounds, depending upon the amount and source of the income.

(5) These claims can be made in respect of income received from April 5, 1920 to date.

I shall be pleased to give further information regarding these claims to any of your readers in doubt if they will write me at 13, Buckingham Palace Gardens, London, S.W. England.

Yours, faithfully,
WILFRED T. FRY.

London, April 9.

CELEBRATES SILVER WEDDING TO-MORROW.

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan who celebrates his silver wedding to-morrow. The local Japanese community will gather at the Japanese Consulate to celebrate the occasion.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months The Kung Yick Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

It is notified that His Honour Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, Knight, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Chief Justice, has by Commission signed by him, and dated the 6th day of May, 1925, appointed Geoffrey Robley Sayer, Assistant Colonial Treasurer, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths and take declarations, affirmations, and attestations of honour in the Court, so long as he shall hold the said office of the Assistant Colonial Treasurer.

HAWAII'S DEFENCES.

NEEDS OF THE ISLANDS TO BE STUDIED.

LEGISLATOR'S PROPOSALS.

"The Strongest Military Outpost in the World."

With the object of making Hawaii "the strongest military outpost in the world," an American legislator will shortly urge Congress to immediate action.

COMING MISSION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, May 8.

Following a public discussion of the weakness of the Hawaiian defences, as disclosed by the recent American Navy manœuvres, Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives, said that he would urge legislation at the next session of Congress to make the Hawaiian islands "the strongest military outpost in the world."

Plans are being prepared to enable members of the Naval Committee to visit Hawaii next month in order to obtain first hand information. The party will be accompanied by high naval officers.

A thorough survey of the needs of the islands will be made with particular reference to Pearl Harbour.

Mr. Butler added that his proposal for the fortification of the Hawaiian group did not mean that he would be opposed to a world court of justice or the principle of disarmament.

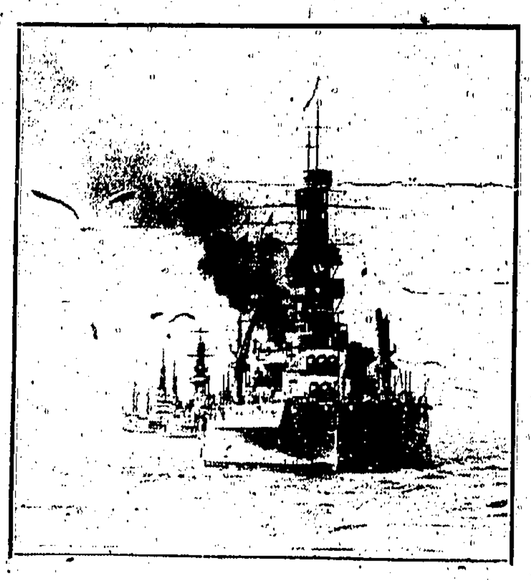
He hoped that these objects could be attained, but he was beginning to doubt whether the other nations were in earnest about disarmament.

EARLIER CABLES.

New York, May 8.

At the conclusion of the officers' conference, following the Hawaiian manœuvres, the umpires issued a brief communique acknowledging that the operations disclosed deficiencies in island defences as well as the fleet. Unofficial details of the shortcomings mention the necessity of deepening Pearl Harbour and the state of the aircraft bases, which are overcrowded and inadequate, while a deficiency of troops, heavy guns and communications are revealed at Oahu, where the garrison requires doubling in order to repulse theoretically a possible landing force of forty thousand men.

AMERICA'S BATTLE FLEET.



The United States battle fleet steaming to the recent manœuvres held in Hawaiian waters.

Mr. William Campbell Butler.

QUITE VALID.

(Reuter's Service.)

BERLIN, May 8.

The Election Court has declared Marshal Von Hindenburg's election valid.

[When Marshal von Hindenburg was elected President of Germany, the socialists protested against the result on the ground of alleged irregularities.]

RUBBER JUMPS.

VERY HIGH PRICES TO COVER.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The rise in the price of rubber for immediate or near delivery to 2s. per lb. is attributed to the shortage in the supply and the brisk demand to meet contracts now maturing in America.

The situation is intensified by the delay in the arrival of 200 tons coming via Suez, which had to be transhipped, and by short accounts having been opened in the markets for May delivery, the covering of which has necessitated paying very high prices.

SHARE ISSUE.

LONDON, May 8.

The United Sua Betong Rubber Estates are issuing 160,00. £1 shares at three.

KING'S SPEECH.

All the World To Hear.

WEMBLEY OPENING.

BLARE OF BANDS AND CRASH OF GUNS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 8.

Listeners in all over the world will be enabled to hear the King when he opens the Empire exhibition on May 9.

The proceedings are to be transmitted through the high power station at Chelmsford.

They begin at eleven o'clock in the morning (summer time) with military music.

The royal salute on their Majesties' arrival will be fired at 11.55.

This will be followed by the Duke of York's introductory speech.

"His Majesty's speech is timed to be delivered at noon."

After that a short religious service will be conducted by the Bishop of London.

COTTON TROUBLE.

SCHEME OF CONTROL NEEDED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The provisional emergency cotton committee of Manchester has expressed the opinion that short time movements on a voluntary basis will never command entire loyalty. Consequently the trade is beginning to recognise that there is no real solution for the present difficulties in the cotton trade, apart from a full-fledged scheme of control, and the sooner it is put into actual operation, the better, for everybody concerned.

BOMB PLOTS?

WARSAW COMMUNISTS ARRESTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

WARSAW, May 8.

The police have arrested a number of Communists in Warsaw and Grodno who are alleged to have been plotting a series of bombing outrages also the theft of secret documents from the War Office, the Ministry of Interior and other Government offices.

Detailed instructions were found in their possession and proofs are said to have been obtained of their connection with the Soviet legation.

TYPHOID SCOURGE.

HUNDRED EUROPEANS DOWN.

(Reuter's Service.)

SUVA, May 8.

In Fiji a hundred Europeans and many Indians are suffering from typhoid.

Three Europeans have died.

Extra doctors are being sent fro mAustralia and New Zealand.

WORLD FLIGHT.

ITALIAN AVIATOR'S PROGRESS.

(Reuter's Service.)

BOMBAY, May 8.

The airman Commdr. de Pinedo has arrived here.

CABINET TROUBLES.

(Reuter's Service.)

BRUSSELS, May 8.

The King has received the Catholic leader van Devyvere who has agreed to try to form a new ministry.

Moscow, May 8.—A concession has been granted to a British concern, the Ayan Corporation, to exploit the goldfields of Okhotsk, Kamtchatka. The company pays on the basis of the area worked, and also surrenders five per cent. of the output to the Soviet.—Reuter.

RADIO FROM ARCTIC.

ESKIMO FOLK SONGS AT EQUATOR?

EXPLORER'S FANCIES.

Future Landing Places For Air Routes.

An American professor, who is about to lead an exploring expedition into the cold lands of the Arctic, says that he may put Eskimo folk songs "on the air," to be picked up by wireless listeners on the Equator.

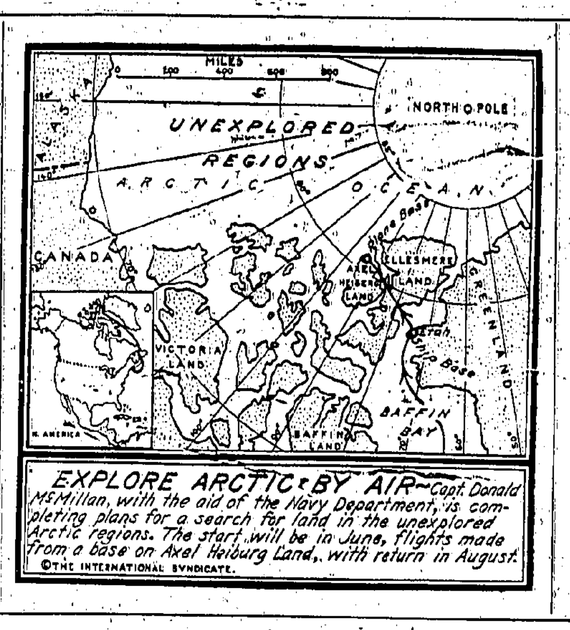
Washington.

"It is highly probable that people at the Equator will hear folk songs by the Eskimos in the Arctic this summer," said Professor Donald Macmillan, the veteran Arctic explorer, after the Navy Department have announced that President Coolidge had approved of two navy seaplanes, with experienced pilots, accompanying Professor Macmillan's ship.

He sails on June 15 from Wiscasset, Maine, to survey the unexplored area between Alaska and the North Pole. It is estimated that he will cover a million square miles. Later he will explore Labrador, also Greenland.

Forty-three naval fliers and mechanics have applied for the posts. Professor Macmillan recently suggested to the President that the United States should claim any territory found as future landing places for a prospective air route to Europe.

Professor Donald Baxter MacMillan, Professor of Anthropology at Bowdoin College, was a member of the Peary North Polar Expedition, 1908-9, and in the following year went to Labrador with the Cabot Expedition. The years 1911 and 1912 he spent in ethnological research among the Eskimo of Labrador, and then he had charge of the Crocker Land Expedition of 1915-17. In July, 1921, he set out, also from Wiscasset, on an expedition to Baffin Land, which occupied a couple of years. An ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve, Professor MacMillan has gone through an aviation course.



Professor McMillan.

THE NATION'S FOOD.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The Food Commission has issued one majority and two minority reports. The minority reports are signed by Mr. T. H. Rayland and Mr. W. R. Smith respectively. The majority report principally recommends the establishment of a food council to maintain continuing supervision over staple food prices.

In connection with port charges on wheat it recommends that the port authorities carefully consider the rates with a view to making reductions in the near future. It favours compulsory registration of retail butchers and endorses the recommendation of the Linlithgow committee that cold storage proprietors should be required to furnish statistics of stocks of meat cold-stored, to be published at the food council's discretion.

It recommends the council closely to watch future developments in connection with the importation of meat from Argentina since it is of the opinion that it may be necessary for the Government to intervene by acquiring the controlling interest of British companies operating in Argentia or by other means, if the supply of chilled frozen meat to Britain should be dominated by adverse trading combinations.

TRADE WITH THE DOMINIONS.

It believes the Government may wish to discuss with the Dominion Governments the possibility of encouraging, in the interest of the producer and consumer, the flow of food from the Dominions to the markets of Britain. It finally recommends the Government to exercise its influence to ensure that the economic section of the League of Nations shall continuously study international food problems and prepare periodical reports for submission to the League council.

Mr. Ryland's minority report objects to the establishment of a food council as a definite advance in the direction of State socialism and imposing a heavy burden on the taxpayer, entailing a serious risk of increasing the cost of the peoples' food.

The food commission majority report points out that there is no evidence presented in support of the suggestion that the international wheat trade is controlled by a small number of firms exploiting the needs of the consumers.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

Mr. Smith's minority report is very lengthy. It recommends that the Government assume open responsibility for supplies and prices of food and the centralisation of the importation of wheat and flour in the hands of a statutory import board acting on behalf of the whole community. Also a similar centralisation of meat supplies, carrying out the recommendations of the Bridgeman-Macrosty committees in regard to the public acquisition of the freezing works in South America by Britain.

The milling industry should be formed into a statutory corporation wherein present millowners would hold debentures, the government holding a majority of the ordinary shares. The local authorities should be empowered to open municipal bread and meat shops and require the licensing of retailers in their areas.

WOOL SALES.

SUSPENDED ALL OVER AUSTRALIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

MELBOURNE, May 8.

A conference of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers and the Australian Wool Growers Council decided to suspend wool sales all over Australia until July 1 when they will be resumed if circumstances permit.

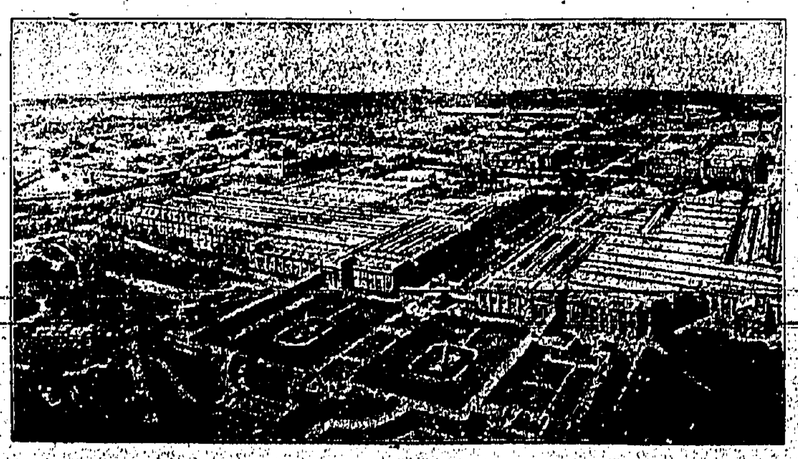
MINISTER RESIGNS.

(Reuter's Service.)

ROME, May 8.

The King has accepted the resignation of Admiral di Revel, Minister of Marine, and has appointed the Premier Signor Mussolini, to act as Minister ad interim.

EMPIRE'S VAST SHOP WINDOW OPENS AGAIN TO-DAY.



The Empire's shop window, as the British Empire Exhibition has been called, is to be opened to-day by the King. Hongkong is again represented.

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HEART BEATS HEARD OVER RADIO.

HEART BEAT BY RADIO

Physicians have succeeded in sending human heart beats over the radio. A specially constructed microphone was used, and the heart beats were picked up by listeners-in all over the country. An expert is shown making a test of a lady's heart beats through a broadcasting station.

Insulin for Cancer.

PROF. SILBERSTEIN

Professor Silberstein, of Vienna University, after artificially causing cancer in mice, treated them with the newly discovered insulin. In most cases, he reported, the cancer disappeared, or the growth was halted. He now advocates that physicians use insulin treatment in cases of inoperable cancer.

ALLEGED TYPHOID MURDER.

W. D. SHEPHERD IN COURT.

William Shepherd, charged with the murder of William McClintock, his millionaire orphan ward, whose estate he inherited, must stay in jail until he is tried for his life, under a ruling by the Chief Justice who refused to grant him bail.

Film Divorce.

RENEE ADOREE

Renee Adoree, well known motion picture star, has been granted a divorce from Tom Moore, film actor, on the allegation that he deserted her in New York City.

KING GEORGE'S HEALTH CRUISE.

KING GEORGE & QUEEN MARY

King George and Queen Mary are shown as they arrived in Calais on the way to the Mediterranean, where they boarded the royal yacht, Victoria and Albert, for a protracted cruise, ordered by King George's physicians as a result of his recent illness.

Boy Hero.

MAX SCHLAR

Max Schlar, thirteen years old, has been recommended for a Carnegie hero medal for saving the life of Abraham Stanovitz, five, from the waters of a river. After bringing the little fellow to safety, Max calmly elbowed his way through the crowd and disappeared from the scene.

SMOKE SCREEN HIDES CITY.

SMOKE SCREENING BOSTON.

A bomber, flying high over the Charles River Basin, Boston, laid a smoke screen across the water, completely hiding the City of Boston from the opposite side of the shore. The screen was laid as an experiment against possible attack.

Latest Scandal.

FRANK WATERHOUSE

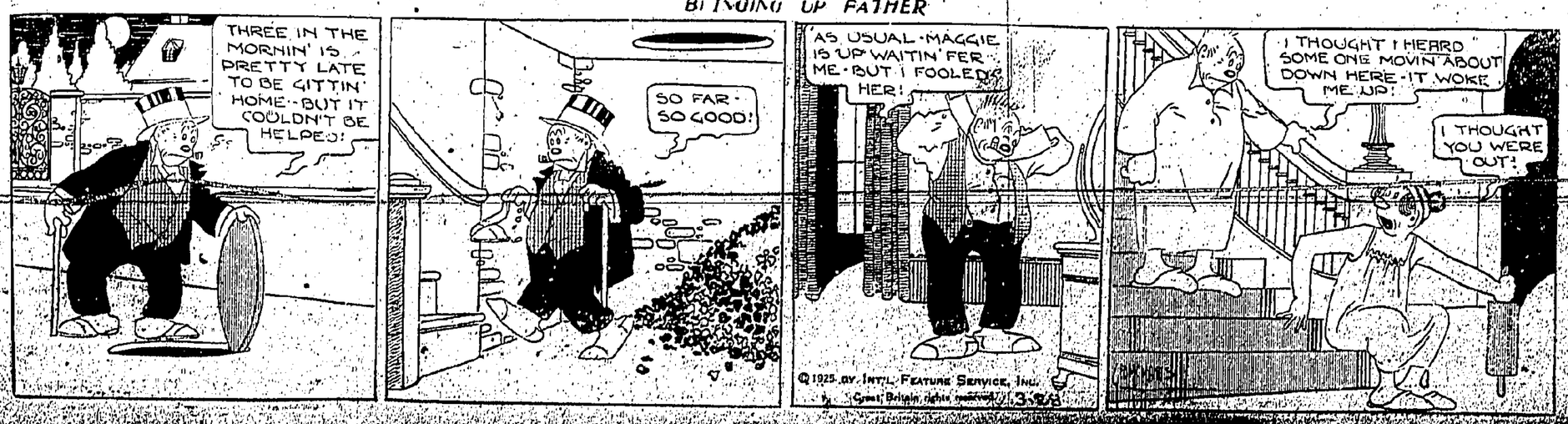
The most recent scandal in society circles was that of the suit brought by Mrs. Muriel Waterhouse, widow of the late Frank Waterhouse. Mrs. Waterhouse was awarded a verdict of £10,000 against Sir David and Lady Wilson-Barker, whom she accused of conspiring with R. P. Sheldon to extort large sums of money from her husband.

SOCIETY DIVORCE SURPRISE.

MARCHIONESS of QUEENSBERRY & DAUGHTER
(Below) MARQUIS of QUEENSBERRY

The Marquis of Queensberry has taken preliminary steps in London to file a divorce petition against his wife, formerly Irene Richards, an actress, naming as co-respondent Sir James Dunn, famous Canadian lawyer and financier. The Marquis alleges that Sir James went to Monte Carlo with the Marchioness, shown here with her daughter, Patricia Sybil.

BINDING UP FATHER



Let Us Consider the Suit Mode

BY BARBARA WINSLOW

It Is, Without Doubt, the Most-Talked-of Feature of Fall Fashions—It Is the Ensemble Costume At Its Best.

Some of us, at least, have not forgotten the whimsicalities of clever "Mr. Dooley," and the gems of wisdom that were made to follow the introduction "I see by the papers." While it is quite as true with fashion news as it is with world news that one may not believe all that she reads, it is equally true that the wise woman may separate the wheat from the chaff, and profit greatly by the harvest that she gleans. For the truly wise woman is not above reading advertisements and comparing them with the logical analyses of the mode that are authoritative presentations of what fashion has to offer, guiding her course by the conclusions that she reaches. And when Paris decrees and sponsors, fashion critics prophesy and the best known shops present a mode, even the most sceptical can be reasonably sure that she will not go wrong in her choice if it is that much featured fashion. Such a fashion is the suit, and while there are sure to be many modifications of the mode, there is one that is rapidly assuming the proportions of a "vogue."

The Suit We Have Always With Us.

There have been many ramifications of the suit mode in the past few years and the amusing fashions of one century have given place to fashions that will, no doubt, be just as amusing a century hence, although it is certainly true that there are not the radical changes in the silhouette, from season to season, that there used to be. The fulled skirt, quite wide at the bottom; the short coat—sometimes with sleeves of the leg-o-mutton type; and the normal waistline would result in nothing but ridicule, were they to make their appearance in a season when the long, tight sleeve, the long coat and the slender line silhouette were fashion, but they are history, and a mode to be really acceptable, must have an ancestry of some sort, these days. For history teaches and history simplifies.

There has always been something fascinating about the matching of two articles of apparel or of an accessory to a suit of frock, but it is only very recently that clever minds have hit upon the idea of making this "note of identity"—whether it be fabric, trimming or colour—the basis of the entire costume. And never before has this costume or "ensemble" idea been the fundamental of the entire scheme of fashion as it seems to be to-day. And it is known, logically enough, as the ensemble costume. When an idea has smartness and charm, and at the same time is practical from the point of view of economy, it is assured of popularity, and the ensemble idea has all these attributes, and convenience, as well, for it means the correlation of one costume with another as well as the correlation of parts.

While there will be sports suits and strictly tailored suits for those who wish them, the featured suit will be rather more of a dress affair, and deserve its appellation of costume. It will consist of a one-piece dress with matching coat or a skirt—worn with a long, tunic blouse—and the same matching coat—the latter, of course, of the same material as the skirt. It is quite possible that the lining of the coat may be of the same fabric as the tunic. Suit materials will be, for the most part, of the satin-finished variety, and they will be supple, and so quite adaptable to the whimsicalities of the mode. Stress should be laid on the use of faille and bengaline silks, for this new fashion will have its effect on the suit mode.

The Dress Or The Tunic And Skirt.

Disregarding for the moment the coat part of the outfit, one is given her choice between the straightline dress and the tunic blouse worn over a separate skirt. The latter is the more versatile fashion since it permits a choice of blouses, thus achieving as many costumes as one possesses tunics. But whether dress, or blouse and skirt, be the choice, fundamentals remain the same, and one is assured of the straight simplicity of line and the same details of neck and hemline. From the accompanying photographs it will be seen that the skirt length is abbreviated—Paris says that skirts are growing shorter—necklines both high and low; and the beltless silhouette the favourite.

When the mode prescribes certain things, it is not an easy matter to achieve a breadth of detail that assures variety, but that is exactly what the designers of the season's fashions have done. Really elaborate fabrics are one of the reasons for the artistic effects obtained, and, trimmings are the most versatile that they have ever been. Every news dispatch brings word that some designer has "launched" a new trimming, or an unusual way of applying an old and familiar bit of decoration, and the result is a most gratifying width of choice. If it be true that the short skirt has become a little shorter, then it is equally true that it has become a little wider, though great width is not desirable.

Coats are long, so long that it is quite possible to use the suit coat as a separate wrap, and they are, as a rule, beltless, although there are some belted models. The latter would be the case, even if designers said with definiteness that there would be no belts, for always there are some who seek to be distinctive by being different. There is a real rage for fur as a trimming, and it is used in cunning little inserts, bindings and shadings, and furnishes smart collars and cuffs in many different styles. The sleeves are long and tight, as a rule, the sleeves of the dress beneath being either long or wholly missing. There is no half way about it. Occasionally a cape intrudes itself, but they are in the minority. It has been a long time since a more practical fashion has been launched. For the woman who needs a wrap, but craves a costume suit, may have both in the one.

A Fashion That Makes For Height.

The long coat, that reaches almost to the hemline, or at least well below the knee is a becoming garment, for it makes for height, and there is nothing about the dress beneath that changes the effect, when the coat is removed. If the costume consists of skirt and tunic, the latter is so very long that the appearance of height is retained, even though there be a contrast in colour or fabric. This beltless silhouette must be watched, however, for it is becoming only to the slender woman. A suggestion of a waistline, correctly placed, is much better if one is not reasonably slight of figure. And a tendency to round-the-hemline trimmings, recently developed, is another detail that must be watched, since it cuts height, if too conspicuous.

Four of the pictured models feature the long coat and dress, or the coat, skirt and tunic. The latter idea is expressed in a woollen fabric that has a decided sheen, and recognizes the value of fur in a decided contrast. The collar is large and the cuffs unique, distinguishing an otherwise plain coat that links itself to the tunic by the trimming, the latter not so striking that it will clash with any other tunic that may be chosen for variation. You will note that the same braid is used to edge a band of the fabric of the garment. A one piece dress, of the same fabric as the coat, is noticeable for its high collar, its vestee, and the smart ball buttons that trim the latter. Both fur and embroidery edge the hemline, and cuff the straight line coat, that has a collar of the fur.

A tunic dress, very straight of line, uses crepe de chine in contrast to the wool material, and it makes the tunic effect and lines the coat. Fur edges the pocket and outlines the sleeves—fashionably wide at the wrist—and the stand-up collar. It should be noted that appearance of height is aided by the square crowned hat with narrow brim that so smartly complements the costume. Several unusual features are to be seen on the suit that seems to prefer the more striking sports fabric in a modest plaid weave to the more conservative materials. Machine embroidery trims the crepe de chine tunic and the coat has both belt and novelty sleeve, as well as a fur banding on the collar.

A short-coated suit of the more tailored type—really a between-season affair—has only its smart simplicity to recommend it, but it shows a trend away from the O'Rossen type of tailleur. It is distinctly a two-piece affair and with it one might wear either a dark or light-coloured blouse. Suits of this type will be seen in generous numbers, but they will not be as generally popular as the ensemble costume suit of much charm and many uses.

The Eyes of the House.

The housewife who really studies decorative values in relation to her own furnishments has no inclination to discount the value of her window treatments, appreciating the power they have to brighten or darken; increase or decrease space; and to add or detract from the beauty and hominess of her rooms. Rooms have been made, and rooms have been spoiled, by curtains and overdrapes, and the wise woman studies her windows, viewing them as a knotty problem that must be solved correctly; and only at the cost of much thought.

Not necessarily at great financial cost, for it is the colour, the weight of the fabric and the type of the curtains themselves that are important. There are sun fast fabrics that are comparatively inexpensive, if one collates them with silks, laces and tapestries. It is the effect that counts, though one may not, of course, rely on the economy of the too cheap fabric. One of the chief faults in draping and curtaining windows is the too heavy material, and many women have found it advisable to keep to what might be termed "summery ways" of dressing the "eyes" of her house.

Curtains are to be had all ready for hanging in sheer Marquisettes and hand drawn scrims—the latter far more dainty and desirable, as a rule, than curtains that are elaborately trimmed—fine voiles and dainty Grenadines; and for a certain type of window—like the nursery—the bobbinets. Or the curtains may be made at home from yardage goods, at an expense relatively small. Daintiness and freshness are most desirable, and an instance of this is the kitchen and breakfast nook that is dressed in checked gingham — always dainty, always fresh, always inexpensive.

For overdrapes there are the cretonnes and chintzes—shaped and draped to fit the individual windows—and, if one must be economical, the very charming artificial silk fabrics in a wide range of colours and weaves. Shall the sun be allowed to shine in and brighten a dark corner or must it be subdued in its insistent glare? The exposure of the room—the type of furniture—the size of the room and colour harmonies—all these are part of the problem.

Graceful, lightweight slippers, made by a Serbian bootmaker, are fashioned of bright coloured leathers, ingeniously slashed and braided. They are designed to complement the between-season ensemble.

OUT OF THE PAST—THE TUNIC BLOUSE

Who says it is a "new" fashion, the tunic? It may be new to many, but it is really a legacy to us from the Saxon women who were wearing it long before the Normans came, nearly a thousand years ago, a legacy for which we should be most devoutly thankful, so charming and adaptable has it proven to be. We have had it before, so it is really only a revival, adapted each time to the mode of which it is a part. But never has it assumed the definite proportions of a vogue with the sudden thoroughness that has characterized its latest reappearance, and never has it so thoroughly dominated fashion. It is not only a part of the blouse mode, it is the most prominent feature in the frock mode, and it is the very foundation of the ensemble costume that is the outstanding feature in fashion.

In general it is known as the tunic silhouette and its slenderizing elegance dominates the mode almost to the exclusion of every other possible line. The tunic itself varies in length, reaching the hips or the very hem, is plain of line or flares a bit, and hints, variously, of China, Russia and France. Just how popular this idea has become is shown when an evening frock adopts it, for many of the loveliest formal gowns are, in terms of simplicity, a separate skirt and a blouse, the former beautifully decorated, the latter quite plain of line and fabric. Beading holds its place in the mode, and one of the best-liked ideas seems to be a slip of plain material used as a foundation for an elaborately beaded tunic, uncompromisingly plain of line.

There are marvellous possibilities in what seems to be a tendency to luxuriate in fabrics of the ornate kind, for the outstanding feature of a decorative material will tunic combine happily with a plain skirt or combination. A very great many printed silks and crepes are being shown, and one designer has made use of prints in combination with pleated chiffon or Georgette skirts—one's way leads, discussion of a separate mode, even in a semble idea that is ruling to the en A smart costume results everything. of Georgette or of crepe de from a slip s a foundation for a tunic chine, used a bric tucked horizontally—of the same fa permits—or up and down, if one's figure v be. Plain bands serve as the case ma d for buttons covered as a backgrou ial or in some fancy with the mater les are ribbon banded design. Plain tun broidered in bands—and others are em endless. the possibilities ar

been laid down for Three rules have mode—"Straight, the fall and winter e "short" apply-short and slender," th course. Now if ing to skirt length, of long, it is quite the tunic is very, very how negligible possible to figure out

Lace Is Given A Prominent Place In The Blouse Mode Because Of Its Never Failing Charm.

the slip or skirt would really be in the combination, and so it is that blouse departments are looking ahead to busy days, for the possession of several tunics will mean several costumes, if one's single skirt or slip is neutral in its tone. One may have a tunic that matches the slip; another that contrasts in colour; a third in plaid that makes use of the same shade as the slip, and yet another with embroideries, linking skirt to tunic by fabric or embroidery, either one. It is quite useless to consider a suit of skirt and coat without visualizing the possibilities of the blouses that may complement it and change it into a complete costume.

Because of its general becomingness, length is the prevailing characteristic of the tunic. It really should reach below the knee, and it will be even smarter if it reaches almost to the edge of the hem. In general the straight silhouette is more becoming than the flared one, but at times the flares are so subtle that they do not, appreciably, detract from the general appearance of slenderness. There is a choice between belts and the beltless line, but the latter is the smarter, if one finds it becoming. Many do not and it should be a question in one's mind until the yes or the no of the matter is proven.

The neckline is, of course, varied, but the V-neck is smart, especially when trimmed with tiny revers of lace or the fabric; there are square necks; and the round and bateau line have their following. Georgette, crepe de chine, satin, the newer ribbed silks and velvet, as well as many novelty materials are featured in the smartest tunics, and trimmings range from appliques and embroideries through to bandings of the material of which the tunic is made. Buttons, beadings and braiding are all popular, and at times one meets a model that has no trimming but the fabric itself. Such a tunic is pictured, although it really makes use of two fabrics, or, more specifically, two colours, black and white. Extremely clever this lace affair, with its V-neck that shows satin bound revers of the material; undersleeves that have the appearance of cuffs; white lace set in under the flounce, and a wee collar of the white. The shoulder is kimono and there is a smart little tie belt, in the back, if you please.

Wherever there is a demand, there one will find supply. That is the raison d'etre of the hip-length blouse, which is not nearly as new or as smart as the tunic. These blouses are nearly all gathered into a hip band, though some models maintain their straightness to the end. Only a slight fullness at the hips marks the joining of blouse to band in the model pictured, a very smart model indeed, that has its novelty fabric smartened appreciably by the band of lace insertion down the front; the frills of Val. at neckline and sleeve, edge; and the whimsical rosette on the waist band. It would seem that fashion interest is bound to centre on the blouse, its coming season, for already the tunic is an accepted fashion fact in the costume, and the tunic is, in its original form, a blouse.

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THE FAN—ITS INSPIRATION.

Prominent in history, and devoted these many years to the fine art of coquetry, the fan has found a permanent place in the evening ensemble. It contributes grace and a flash of colour to formal attire; it is ingenious in its beauty. One finds that the story of its origin dates back to the legends of old China, two, perhaps three thousand years B. C. But it was during the reign of Louis Fifteenth—how often must the chronicler of fashions go back to that brilliant period that it was an essential to the costume, and during that time thousands of craftsmen worked at the fan-making industry. Thousands of artists, too, contributed their work, for the painted fan was vogue. One chooses a bit of lace or gauze; a gorgeous plume or two or three with little thought that the accessory itself, rather, more utilitarian, perhaps than in the reign of a Louis, or the brilliantly conceived creation of to-day, is apart of history. It is mentioned in the stories of Rome, of Greece and of India, and in the Scriptures. Lost, for the time, its historical and legendary value, but increasingly great its power in the history of fashion.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT a new shade of purple—they call it "Bishop"—has appeared on the millinery horizon? It has red in it, and blue, and appears as a most exotic colour, quite unusually rare.

THAT Paris is sponsoring two new hosiery shades in the nuances of beige. They are called "Hogar" and "Ecaille," and one wonders where originators get their names.

THAT the skirts of the newest, smartest models flare slightly at the bottom, this flare slightly at the bottom, this flare achieved by v flounces and godets? If there is a tendency skirts. either way it is toward shorter urs—or

THAT there are many new f r are now adaptations of old furs— illiar fall showings? Taupe and silve l to the newest shades of the fan muskrat, and fitch furs are dyed simulate sable and fisher. or e

THAT the newest coat fabrics t fall are smooth, closely-woven and hav a flat nap? Fashion has definitely cas off the heavy pile materials that have been vogue for several seasons.

BEAUTY—A THOUGHT OR TWO.

Two evils beset all womankind in the desire to possess lovely hair and keep it so—the dry and the oily scalp. For both there are curative ointments and lotions that will rectify the condition, whatever it may be, but every woman, to seek the advice of a hair specialist as whether her locks be short or long, should give her hair every attention even though there seems no present need of it—the precaution wise against the days to come. It is not a bad idea to the frequency with which hair should be shampooed and the basis of the soap liquid or powder that one uses in the process. What agrees with one scalp does not agree with others, and there is just how the danger of the too frequent shampoo, the result of the ease with which the bobbed head may be washed, and the effect it has on the permanent wave, and the fluff or ways that results may easily become a permanent dryness or a too oily scalp that not only takes time, but money, to overcome.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL.

Major J. F. Drake, East Surrey Regiment is to go on leave commencing to-morrow.

The Lee White Coy, after their season in Hongkong and Kowloon, proceed to Manila, after which they will go to Australia.

A Reuter message dated yesterday says that the Princess Royal continues to improve slowly, and definite progress is reported.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Hung Hing-Kam to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of Hongkong.

The current issue of the "Government Gazette" contains a full list of "persons qualified to practise medicine and surgery," and those who are Dental Surgeons.

A Reuter cable of yesterday from Paris states that according to L'Eclair the ex-Minister of the Colonies, M. Daladier will be appointed Governor of French Indo-China.

Arrivals by the Tanda from Australia included Sir Frederick and Lady Gardiner, Mr. J. B. Sutter (New South Wales commercial commissioner in Japan), Mr. F. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. A. Perry, and Capt. F. J. Gill.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Dr. Joseph Bartlett Addison, M.B.E., provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, temporarily to be a Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. Edward Dudley Corscaden Wolfe, with effect from May 5, 1925.

Passengers who left for Manila by s.s. Empress of Canada included Mr. Gordon Yates of the Furness Far East Line, accompanied by Mrs. Yates, Mr. J. M. McHutcheon of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Mr. F. Hui and Canton party and Mr. K. F. Juno and HongKong party for the Olympic Games.

Passengers leaving for Home by the s.s. Suwa Maru to-day include Mr. S. H. Dawes of Messrs. Trollope and Colls, Mr. K. Carlesen of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Mr. J. Johnston of the Union Water Boat Co., Ltd., Mr. C. Hatt of the Telephone Co., Mr. H. Overy of Messrs. Wm. Powells Ltd., and Mr. J. Jack, Mrs. Thompson, Miss V. Hickey, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry.

Mr. W. M. Strachan, who died at the age of 88, was one of the first of the foreign merchants in Japan, arriving in Yokohama in 1861, at the age of 24. He founded the firm of Strachan and Co., of which he was still a Director at the time of his death, and in whose affairs he maintained an active interest. He left Japan in the eighties of the last century. Mrs. J. P. Mollison of Yokohama is a sister of the late Mr. Strachan.

KOWLOON WEDDING.

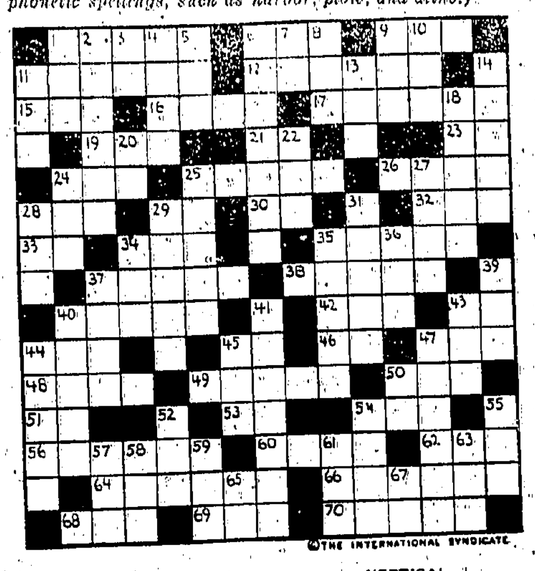
Photo by Mee Fong.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Labrum, who were married at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday are seen outside the Church after the ceremony. They left shortly after for the honeymoon at Repulse Bay.

Quite a lively little rumpus, sad to relate, has been fluttering the spiritualist dovecote. The trouble has arisen over the American super-medium, Valiantine, who went to give a series of special demonstrations before the the Society of Psychical Research. Having failed to impress the S.P.R. quite as much as he meant to, Valiantine (or his supporters) proceeded to make the discovery that the headquarters of the Society were "unsuitable" for his performances, which have now been transferred to the private house of that enthusiastic patron of the uncanny, Mr. H. Dennis Bradley, who ought, at any rate, to be able to take the American medium's measure. Are the spiritualists, like the Christian Scientists, going to split into two rival camps, just to show that new "religions" are (in some respects) a good deal like the old ones?

CHINA MAIL'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(These cross-word puzzles have been made by experts but our readers are warned to watch out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

1—To frighten
6—A metal device for stamping out coins
9—To open (poet.)
11—The East Indian cedar
12—To take up by absorption
15—A color
16—To go by
17—Shining
19—Obtained
21—Preposition
23—Interjection
24—A number
25—Word opposed to "here"
26—A sheepfold
28—Stray dog
29—The older (abbr.)
30—Canadian province (abbr.)
32—Possessive pronoun
33—Latin for silver (abbr.)
34—Personal pronoun
35—Man's name
37—A visitor
38—Enclosed court of a Spanish house
40—Man's name
42—A musical instrument (abbr.)
43—In this or that manner
44—To swab
45—Manganese (chem sym)
46—Man's name (familiar)
47—An unruly crowd
48—Greek god of war
49—An inland waterway
50—Upper part; crown
51—Ruthenium (chem sym)
53—Girl's name (familiar)
54—Conjunction
56—To shut up within walls
60—To load
62—Suffix denoting condition
64—Sagacious
66—Highly ornamented
68—Took food
69—A wheel track in a road
70—A kind of coffee

VERTICAL

1—An episcopal jurisdiction
2—A testy old man
3—Prefix meaning "to"
4—Enraptured
5—Period of time
6—To swell out
7—Prefix, a form of "in"
8—To recede
9—Kind of sorcery practiced by negroes of W. Indies
10—A wooden pin
11—Lacking interest
13—Man's name
14—An anesthetic
18—Inn
20—Preposition
22—Sphere
24—To pull with great effort
25—A lock of human hair
27—A Middle East State of U. S.
28—Cry of the crow
29—A very thin, broad piece of any substance
31—Pertaining to birth
34—The total
35—Fundamental
36—A cardinal number
37—To regard open-mouthed
39—Top of a fireplace serving as a shelf
40—A drinking-bowl
41—A small ring
43—To soak in a liquid
44—Girl's name
45—Prefix meaning "ill; evil"
47—A hill, the site of the temple at Jerusalem
50—Preposition
52—Skill
54—A cruel Roman emperor
55—Small
57—A flat article woven or plaited
58—Custom
59—A continent (abbr.)
61—A title in Portugal and Brazil
63—Station (abbr.)
65—A day of the week (abbr.)
67—A South Atlantic State of U. S. (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's "China Mail" along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

LOCAL & GENERAL.

Letters from Kuala Lumpur state that the weather is very hot during the day but is "beatifully cool o' nights." There is plenty of rain.

The Medical Officer of Health's return for Thursday contained three cases of notifiable diseases—one each of small-pox, diphtheria and cerebro-spinal fever. All were Chinese.

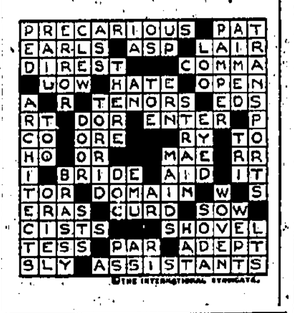
It is ordered that the provisions of the Rents Ordinance, 1922, Ordinance No. 14 of 1922, shall not apply in the case of the domestic tenement known as No. 66, Caine Road, First Floor.

The s.s. Tanda (Agents, Messrs Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.) arrived from Australia yesterday, with 2,570 tons of general cargo. The trip was accompanied throughout by beautiful weather and calm seas.

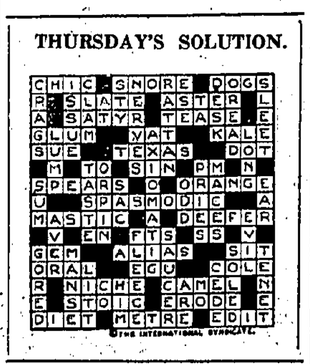
Any wandering American who becomes stranded in China in future will have a better prospect of being helped home than has any of his long line of predecessors in the same predicament. Realizing the necessity of doing something in this field, the American Association of China has decided to raise a fund of $15,000 Mexican, from American residents, to be expended in caring for destitute countrymen.

Perhaps the latest "new use" for rubber at home is as bandages for horses' legs, pale crepe being found particularly suitable for the purpose and owing to its elasticity infinitely superior to flannel or any other material. Its introduction for this purpose, says the "Straits Echo," was due to the initiative of Mr. Burkill, of Shanghai—one of the partners in Kennedy Burkill and Company, of Penang—who took some home-last Autumn and tried on his hunters with such success that it was at once taken up by hunting friends and rubber bandages are now quite common on the English Turf. We are told that three candidates in the Grand National and three in the Lincolnshire ran in pale crepe bandages, though history does not state whether the winners were among them.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



THURSDAY'S SOLUTION.



A movement for the establishment in Manila of a drydock and yards of sufficient capacity to accommodate the largest ships on the Pacific has been started by shipping men and government officials.

As is customary after each session of the Diet, Viscount Kato, the Premier, entertained some 500 journalists in Tokyo to dinner at his official residence on April 17. All the Ministers were also present.

The Musician's Enterprises, New York, through Manfred Malkin, president, has announced its backing of a project to set New York musicians up in business for themselves by establishing a chain of music shops all over the city. The undertaking calls for the organization of a society of stockholding, profit-sharing members, composed of teachers and other musicians.

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NOTICE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of May, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions, viz.:—

"(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following that is to say by the deletion of Article 17 and by the substitution therefor of the following Article, namely:—

"17. So long as the issued "capital of the Company "shall not exceed $6,000,000 "no member shall be entitled "to be registered as the "holder of more than 8,000 "shares of the Company. "Should the issued capital of "the Company be increased "beyond $6,000,000 the "number of shares in respect of which a member "shall be entitled to be "registered shall be increased proportionately, but no "member shall be entitled "to be registered in respect "of a fraction of a share."

(2) That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now $3,000,000 consisting of 60,000 shares of the nominal value of $50 each the whole of which have been issued) be increased to $10,000,000 by the creation of 140,000 additional shares of the nominal value of $50 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital.

(3) That 60,000 of the said 140,000 new shares be offered in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every old share held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 10th day of June, 1925, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 60,000 old shares at a premium of $10 per share.

(4) That the aforesaid offer be made to members by notice specifying the number of new shares to which a member is entitled. That a member whose registered address is situate in the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, *i.e.*, one instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, and a further instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of October, 1925, and such member or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, will be deemed to have declined. That a member whose registered address is situate outside the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, *i.e.*, one instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of July, 1925, until the date of receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and a further instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of December, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of October, 1925, until the date of actual receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and such member outside the Far East or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest as aforesaid will be deemed to have declined. The Directors shall have the right to reject any nominee.

(5) That such of the said 60,000 new shares as shall be accepted by members both in and outside the Far East shall *vis-a-vis* the said 60,000 old shares rank for dividend as from the 15th day of July, 1925, to the extent of one half of the nominal value of such new shares and as from the 15th day of October, 1925, equally with the said 60,000 old shares.

(6) That any of the said 60,000 new shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid and the remaining 80,000 unissued new shares may be issued and disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as to ranking for dividend and otherwise as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at its Registered Office aforesaid on TUESDAY, the 2nd day of June, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions, the above mentioned Resolutions.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of June, 1925, to WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of June, 1925 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

Dated the 4th day of May, 1925.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

LOCAL SPORT.

SOMETHING TO SEE.

JAPAN'S OLYMPIC TENNIS STARS.

HERE NEXT WEEK.

On Monday and Tuesday, local tennis enthusiasts will be found wandering in the direction of the Hongkong Cricket Club ground. Hongkong, as a rule, provides little scope for the timely demise of a grandmother, but, nevertheless, quite a number are sure to pop off on Tuesday to enable tennis enthusiasts to slip along for a few minutes only to see the Japanese Olympic tennis team, which includes some of Japan's real stars.

Word has been received from Japan's team en route for the Far Eastern Olympiad at Manila. The H.K.C.C. has been asked for the courtesy of practice facilities for the tennis representatives during their stay in port. Accordingly, nets will be put up on Monday and Thursday mornings.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill, honorary secretary, kindly informed the "China Mail" that games with local talent had not been asked for. Accordingly, none had been arranged. It is surmised that the Japanese stars will play among themselves but it does seem a pity that Hongkong is not to give them even a "friendly" game.

When they were in Japan, the Kinseys and Snodgrass played the Japanese stars and one of the Kinseys, when in Manila, predicted that Japan would make a clean sweep of the lawn tennis tournament at the Olympiad.

TENNIS TOURNEY.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FINALS.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

(By "Hotspur.")

Once more S. A. Rumjahn, who has represented Hongkong in interport tennis, has won his way to the semi-final of the Open Singles Championship in the annual H.K.C.C. tournament. On the stand court yesterday, he defeated F. A. Redmond by 3 sets to 1 after a fairly hard game. The Redmond of yesterday was much better than that of a few days ago when he lost badly to Hattersley Smith in the Club Championship.

Although inclined to be less "wild" than previously, Redmond has lost a good deal of his speed but little of his driving power. He tires quickly and finds it difficult to venture up to the net in a five set singles game. There were some good cross-court driving duels yesterday with Rumjahn mostly scoring when playing to Redmond's backhand. In races between the sidelines, Redmond was often applauded for getting the better of his youthful opponent. Rumjahn's chops and his larger variety of strokes won him the match, and his placing was also slightly superior. Rumjahn was also erratic when trying to send over piledrivers. Both brought off some pretty smashes, volleys, half-volleys and overhead strokes. Neither resorted much to lobbing.

THE PLAY.

Rumjahn opened the service and lost but made it 1 game all. In the third game the Indian lad was love-40 but he won and then led by 4-1. The sixth game went to deuce when Redmond served a double and Rumjahn subsequently won the set 6-1.

It was in the second set that Redmond gave of his best. Rumjahn led 2-0, 2-1, 3-1, 3-2, 4-2, 4-3 and then the score became 4 all. After deuce being called twice and in the next game three times, Redmond took both games to make the score 1 set all.

Redmond won the first game in the third set but Rumjahn annexed the next four and lost two in succession but was still leading by 4 games to 3. Rumjahn then made it 5-3 but Redmond took the next 5-4, play being very even, with long rallies at intervals. On his own service Rumjahn won the tenth game and led by 2 sets to 1.

Showing a pronounced drop in his play, Redmond did not win a game in the fourth and last set although two or three games went to deuce before Rumjahn won. Full scores in favour of the winner were 6-1, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0.

HONDA PLAYS TO-DAY.

Prior to the commencement of the match it was announced that owing to a misunderstanding, the Honda (champion) v. Ng Sze-cheong fourth round open singles match would not be played. Those who had paid to see this match could have their money back and a few left.

Subsequently arrangements were made for the match to be played this afternoon at 4.30. Play on a Saturday is an innovation in the tournament, brought about by the delay due to the rain and next week's exhibition matches.

In the Club Championship, T. Monaghan is due to meet W. Hyde in the third round. It is hoped that this match will also be played this afternoon.

NEXT WEEK'S MATCHES.

For next week, the following matches have been fixed provisionally:—

Open Championship Singles (semi-final):—S. A. Rumjahn v. winner of Honda v. Ng Sze-cheong (to-day's match), on the stand court, or Monday at 4.30 p.m.

Club Championship (third round):—A. S. Hett v. S. E. Green.

On Tuesday when the exhibition matches are due to start, the following games are down to be played:—

Handicap Singles "B" (semi-final):—L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) v. G. de Man (scr.)

Handicap Doubles (semi-final):—W. B. Cornaby and N. L. H. Railton (scr.) v. A. S. and G. B. Hett (scr.)

LATER FIXTURES.

An advertisement, which was received too late yesterday to be explained, makes the following provisional fixtures, weather and grand permitting, all on the stand court:—

May 18 (Monday), Open Singles (fourth round):—Captain O'Callaghan v. S. E. Green.

May 20 (Wednesday) Open Singles (semi-final):—Winner of O'Callaghan v. Green to play H. D. Rumjahn.

May 21 (Thursday), Open Singles (final).—In this the survivors to date will meet as follows:—

S. A. Rumjahn / T. Honda / Ng Sze-cheong

O'Callaghan / S. E. Green / H. D. Rumjahn

May 22 (Friday), presentation of prizes and Open Doubles (final):—Captain O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gawler v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn.

OUTSTANDING MATCHES.

The table of outstanding fixtures on Friday morning, May 1, as posted up to date, now stands as follows:—

Open Singles.

The following matches remain to be played:—

7.—4th round, T. Honda v. Ng Sze-cheong (to day).

8.—4th round, Captain O'Callaghan v. S. E. Green (May 18)

10.—semi-final, S. A. Rumjahn v. winner of No 7 (next Monday).

11.—semi-final, winner of No. 8 v H. D. Rumjahn (May 20)

12.—final, winner of No. 10 v. winner of No. 11 (May 21).

Open Doubles.

The following match remains to be played:—

Final, Captain O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gawler v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (May 22).

Club Championship.

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—3rd round, T. Monaghan v. W. Hyde.

2.—3rd round, A. S. Hett v. S. E. Green (Monday.)

4.—semi-final, W. B. Cornaby v. winner of No. 1.

5.—semi-final, winner of No. 2 v. Major Hattersley Smith.

6.—final, winner of No. 4 v. winner of No 5.

Handicap Singles "A"

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—semi-final, Dr. D. J. Valentine (rec. 4/6) v. D. J. Allfree (rec. 2/6).

2.—final, Major Hattersley Smith (owe 3/6) v. winner of No. 1.

Handicap Singles "B"

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—semi-final, L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) v. G. de Man (scr.) (next Tuesday).

2.—semi-final, P. H. Bonnerman (scr.) v. C. W. E. Bishop (owe 1/6).

3.—final, winner of No. 1. v. winner of No. 2

Handicap Doubles.

The following matches remain to be played:—

2.—semi-final, W. B. Cornaby and N. L. H. Railton (scr.) v. A. S. and G. B. Hett (scr.) (next Tuesday).

3.—final, B. D. Evans and W. Hyde (owe 3/6) v. winner of No. 2.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

Winners:—G. R. and Mrs. Sayer (owe 1/6).

Runners-up:—W. and Mrs. Ironside (rec. 4/6).

Readers who are interested in the tennis tournament are advised to keep the above table for reference.

ALL THE TALENT.

EXHIBITION TENNIS ON TUESDAY.

AMERICAN VISITORS.

As announced in our advertisement columns, arrangements have been made for the Kinsey brothers and Snodgrass, the American lawn tennis champions who rank very high in the tennis world, and whose attainments have been briefly mentioned, to play against the best local talent on the H.K.F.C. stand court next week.

Booking opened yesterday morning when there was a distinct rush for seats at Messrs. Moutrie's.

Play will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, commencing each day at 4.15 p.m., weather permitting, with the singles matches first (best of 3 sets) to be followed by the doubles matches (best of 5 sets). The programme is as follows:—

Tuesday:—Singles, H. Snodgrass v. Ng Sze-kwong; Doubles, R. and H. Kinsey v. Captain O'Callaghan and R. E. Tottenham.

Wednesday:—Singles, H. Snodgrass v. T. Honda; Doubles, R. and H. Kinsey v. Ng Sze-kwong and Captain O'Callaghan.

Thursday:—Singles, H. Kinsey v. Captain O'Callaghan; Doubles, R. Kinsey and H. Snodgrass v. Ng Sze-kwong and R. E. Tottenham.

GARRISON TENNIS.

LEAGUE MATCHES FOR NEXT WEEK.

In the Garrison Tennis League, the following matches will be played next week, commencing each day at 4 p.m.:—

Monday.—Headquarters' Wing, East Surrey Regiment, v. "B" Company, East Surrey Regiment.

Tuesday. — R.A.O.C. v. "D" Company, East Surrey Regiment.

Wednesday. — R.A.M.C. v. Small Units.

Thursday. — R.A.S.C. v. "A" Company, East Surrey Regiment.

Friday.—R.E. "A" v. R.E. "B."

CARTLIDGE ACCEPTS.

CHANCES OF FIGHTING SHADDOCK.

C. P. O Jim Cartlidge, the Colony's lightweight champion and holder of the Boxing Association's belt, has accepted a challenge from A. B. Shaddock, of H. M. A. S. Brisbane, now with the China Squadron.

Shaddock has fought 38 bouts in Australia, losing one and is a young man of 23. His ship is now away from the Colony.

Cartlidge suggests 15 rounds at the lightweight limit and that if the Brisbane returns too late for the Boxing Association's season, the V. R. C. stage the contest.

Villa in Manila.

At Wallace Field, Manila, Pancho Villa, the world-famed Filipino boxer, has beaten Clever Sencio on points.

POINTS FOR PUNCHES.

SURREY REGIMENTAL BOXING.

With "A" Company finishing up worthy winners, the boxing tournament of the East Surrey Regiment was brought to a close last night, the finals and semi-finals being decided before a good attendance at Murray Barracks. "A" Company win the challenge cup for the second year. Results follow:—

Flyweights:—Pte. Mabey, C., beat Pte. Quelch, A, on points.

Bantamweights: — Drummer Simpson, White Wing, beat Pte. Block, A, on points (Block was given half a point for being a game loser). Pte. Grint, B, beat Pte. Woollcott, A, on points. Final—Simpson, W.W., knocked out Grint, B, in the first round.

Featherweights:—Pte. Cooper, A, beat Drummer Newman, W.W., at the end of the second round when Newman was injured in the eye and retired. Drummer Bowles, W.W., beat Pte. Halcombe, C, on points. Final—Bowles, W.W., beat Cooper, A, on points.

Lightweight: — Pte. Williamson, A., knocked out Pte. Simmonds, B, in the first round. Corpl. Choules, D, beat Pte. Ditch, A, on points. Final—Williamson, A, knocked out Choules, D, in the first round.

Welterweights:—Pte. Mann, A, walked-over from Sergt. Nolan, B, and boxed three rounds with Pte. Goodfield, B. Pte. Pooley, A, beat Pte. Grant, D, at the end of two rounds when the loser complained of a foul which was not sustained and gave up. Final—Pooley, A, beat Mann, A, on points.

Middleweights: — Pte. Eaton, A, beat Pte. Shepherd, C, on points. Pte. Problits, A, beat Pte. England, D, on points. Final—Eaton, A, beat Problits, A, on points, the latter getting half a point for being a good loser.

Lightheavyweights:—Pte. Hepper, C, beat Pte. Roberts, A, on points.

Boys' Contest: In a four-round contest between Ramsey and Massey, both of the Diocesan Boys' School, the decision went to Ramsey after a sparkling bout.

The points gained by the respective companies were:—

A. Company	51½ Points.
B. Company	23½ "
White Wing	21 "
C. Company	19 "
D. Company	19 "

Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates, commanding officer of the battalion, presented the prizes, congratulated the winners and thanked Lieut. P. H. Drake-Brockman and R. S. M. Maynard for organising the tournament.

SOLDIERS' SPORTS.

PUNJABI ATHLETIC MEETING.

On Friday, May 15, at the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, the 5/2nd Punjabi Regiment will hold their annual athletic sports, starting at 2 p.m.

There is an open event (quarter mile) British, and another (half mile) Indian.

All ranks of the garrison are invited to attend.

POLICE BOWLERS.

Photos by Mee Fong.

The Police Recreation Club (relegated from the first division at the end of last season) are seen at home last Saturday to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club bowlers, whose second season it is in the junior section of the lawn bowls league. The Police won by 82 points to 35.

FIRST A SUCCESS.

GAP ROAD SCHOOL SPORTS.

The first annual athletic sports meeting of the Gap Road Government School took place yesterday at Causeway Bay under good weather conditions, but it was a trifle too hot for sports. The programme comprised some amusing and novel items such as a one-legged race, a creeping race, frog-leaping races, and a football race. The events were keenly contested, and the initial meeting was a success.

The prizes were distributed by Miss Dorothy Holyoak, who was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet.

Before the presentation, the Headmaster (Mr. Lo Yuk-lun) expressed his thanks to Miss Holyoak, the donors of prizes and the visitors, particularly Mrs. Holyoak and Mr. E. Ralphs.

The results of the principal events follow:—

High Jump (Senior): 1, Iu Hing-loi; 2, Leung Wing-chiu; 3, Chan Wing-ching. Height 4ft. 5in.

High Jump (Junior): 1, Fung Ying-sheung; 2, Leung Po-sin; 3, Chan Fook-yuen. Height 3 ft.

Long Jump (Senior): 1, Leung Wing-chiu; 2 Iu Hing-loi; 3, Lo Pang-chuen. Distance 13 ft. 10 in.

Long Jump (Junior): 1, Kwok Fook-wah; 2, Fung Ying-sheung; 3, Ho Shun-fan. Distance 13 ft.

Flat Race (400 yards): 1, Leung Wing-chiu; 2, Iu Hing-loi; 3 Yeung Cheong.

Masters' Race (100 yards): 1, Leung Yuk-tong; 2, Lo Yuk-lun; 3, Leung Ping-lam.

Creeping Race (50 yards): 1, Ho Shun-fan; 2, Han Wing-kwan; 3, Li Ko.

Frog Leaping Race (Senior): 1, Ma Ying-se; 2, Yeung Cheong; 3, Lo Ping-chuen. Time: 18 secs.

Frog Leaping Race (Junior): 1, Wong Yan-lan; 2, Kwok Fook-wah; 3, Kwok Ying-kit.

Single Legged Race (Open): 1, Lo Ping-chuen; 2, Wong Luk-ming; 3, Leung Wing-chiu.

Football Race (200 yards Open): 1, Fung Ying-sheung; 2, Ho Shun-fan; 3, Ho Yuk-ning.

Past Pupil's Race (400 yards): 1, Lam Sing-chan; 2, Ip Chor-pong; 3, Leung Kam-kong.

Team Race: Yaumati Government School.

Team Race: Chung Ying School.

R. A. SPORTS.

YESTERDAY'S SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

The Royal Artillery sports meeting concluded yesterday with the second day's events on the U.S.R.C. ground in the presence of a large gathering.

The half mile race was won in easy style by Gunner Newson. In the one-mile event Bandman Hannan and A. Mair were again prominent, the former winning in the excellent time of 4 mins. 38 secs., Mair being about 100 yards behind and coming in 19 seconds later. Out of ten competitors the majority dropped out on finding the running too strenuous.

For the fifth year in succession the tug-of-war was won by the 38th Battery. In the Indian officers' race, Subadar Major Bahn Singh, Indian A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, came in an easy winner, considering his age.

In a challenge tug-of-war between the East Surreys and the Police, the soldiers again defeated their heavy opponents.

In the final of the 220 yards, Lieut. Henslowe beat the favourite, Lieut. Sugden, by a narrow margin.

The 25th Battery scored 75 points; 13th Battery, 68 points; 28th Battery, 58 points.

Gunner Harris won the cup for the highest number of points and was carried shoulder high by his comrades.

The prizes were given away by Mrs. Hattersley Smith, who was accorded a vote of thanks at the close.

The Cricket Cup went to the 13th Battery, the Athletic Cup for the year to the 25th Battery, the Inter-Company Musketry Shield to the 25th Battery with 25 points having an aggregate of 67 points per man. The Brown Rowing Cup also went to the 25th Battery, together with the R.A. Hockey Cup and the R.A. Rowing Cup. The 13th Battery took the the R.A. Football Cup.

RESULTS.

100 Yards Flat. — 1, Gunner Rodgers; 2, Lieut. Sugden; 3, Gunner Harris. Time: 10 mins. 4/5 secs.

Boys' Race.—1, H. Holmes; 2, A. Lewis; 3, R. Land.

Half Mile Flat.—1, Gunner Newsom; 2, Gunner Doe; 3, Gunner Culver. Time: 2 mins. 16.1/5 secs.

Girls' Race.—1, Norah Vant.

Thread and Needle Race.—1, Q.M.S. Moore—Mrs. Cook; 2, Sergt. Bell—Mrs. Bell; 3, L/Sgt. Bisgrove—Mrs. Carter.

Open Mile.—1, Bandsman Hannan, East Surreys; 2, Mr. Mair, H.K.V.D.C.; 3, Pte. Quelch, East Surreys. Time: 4 mins. 38 secs.

Four-Legged Race.—1, Gunner Rachell's team; 2, Gunner Punlott's team; 3, Gunner Rodd's team.

Khud Race won by Munzal Singh—8 mins. 45 secs.

W. O's and Sergeants' Race.—1, Sgt. West; 2, B.Q.M.S. Moore; 3, Sergt. Manley.

Tug of War.—38th Battery.

Indian Officers' Race won by Subadar Major Bahn Singh.

Obstacle Race.—1, Gunner Harris; 2, Srst. West; 3, Gunner Lucocy.

Egg and Spoon Race.—1, Mrs. Coob; 2, Mrs. Vant.

Officers' Race. — 1, Captain Barrett, R.A.; 2, Lieut. Ancott, R.A.; 3, Major Hyland, R.E.

Relay Race.—1, 13th Battery; 2, 25th Battery.

220 Yards.—1, Lieut. Henslowe; 2, Lieut. Sugden; 3, Gunner Harris.

Tug of War.—East Surreys beat H.K. Police in a challenge event.

Consolation Race.—1, Gunner Bolland; 2, Gunner Christie; 3, Vander-Hoven.

Band Race. —1, Bandsman Hatch, East Surreys; 2, Bandsman Youngs, East Surreys; 3, L/C. Kidd, East Surreys.

MARKSMEN ALL?

MILITARY RIFLE WINNERS.

In the China Command Rifle Meeting, the results as announced, are as follow:—

For British:—

Soldiers' Club Challenge Cup:—Winner. Pte. Murrell, H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regiment. 2nd. Pte. Woods, "C" Company, East Surrey Regiment. 3rd. Pte. Bullock, "D" Company, East Surrey Regiment.

Battery and Company Match:—Winners. "B" Company, East Surrey Regiment. Runners Up: "D" Company, No. 2 team, East Surrey Regiment. Semi-finalists, "C" Company, No. 1 team, East Surrey Regiment and 25th Heavy Battery, R.A.

Individual Rifle Match:—Winner. Sgt. Jones, H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regiment. 2nd. Pte. Thorne, H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regiment. 3rd. Pte. Lee, H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regiment.

For Indian:—

Gascoigne Cup: — Winner. Sepoy Mohar Singh, Punjab Regiment. 2nd L/Nk. Karam Din, Punjab Regiment. 3rd. Sepoy Ismail Khan, Punjab Regiment.

Hatton Challenge Cup:—Winners. "B" Company, Punjab Regiment. 2nd H.Q. Company, Punjab Regiment. 3rd. "A" Company, Punjab Regiment.

Individual Rifle Match:—Winner. Sepoy Rejenda Singh, Punjab Regiment. 2nd. Sepoy Shah Din, Punjab Regiment. 3rd. Sepoy Sher Khan, H.K.S. Bde., R.A."

WEEK-END SPORT SUMMARY.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS.

SINGLES CHAMPION PLAYS AT H.K.C.C.

At 4.30 p.m. to-day, T. Honda (holder of the Open Singles title) is to meet Ng Sze-cheong on the stand court at the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Before coming here Honda was champion in Singapore. Ng is brother to Ng Sze-kwong, who was champion till defeated by Honda, and he has also played at Wimbledon as S. C. Wu.

CLOSING CRUISE.

ROYAL YACHT CLUB'S BIG DAY.

Times for the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's closing cruise to-day are:—

2 p.m.—Start of English rig cruisers from Murray Pier.

2.10 p.m.—Start of Chinese rig cruisers from Murray Pier.

3.20 p.m.—Start of Handicap and One Design classes from Club House. (Ladies' Races).

3.30 p.m.—Start of Heyward Hays and Cael classes from Club House. (Ladies' Races).

3.45 p.m.—Start for Leveson Cup, from Lyemun to Club House. ("Hong" fours).

4.15 p.m.—Start for "Club" fours, from Lyemun to Club House.

5.15 p.m. — Distribution of prizes.

EXHIBITION TENNIS.

TIMES FOR C. R. C. "AT HOME."

For the Chinese Recreation Club "At Home," at Causeway Bay this afternoon, the following time should be noted:—

3.30 p.m.—C.R.C. "B" team, winners of last year's second division, lawn tennis league, v. The Rest.

4.30 p.m.—Exhibition doubles match—Captain O'Callaghan and R. E. Tottenham v. Ng Sze-kwong and M. W. Lo.

6.30-8.30 p.m.—Dance.

LAWN BOWLS.

LEAGUE MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

Timed to start at 3.30 p.m., the league bowls matches for to-day (on the grounds of the first named Club) are as follow:—

Kowloon Dock R.C. (Kowloon) v. Taikoo R.C.; Kowloon Bowling Green Club (Kowloon) v. Kowloon Cricket Club; Craigengower C.C. (Happy Valley) v. Civil Service C.C.; Taikoo R.C. (Quarry Bay) v. Police R.C.; Kowloon C.C. (Kowloon) v. Indian R.C.; Yacht Club (North Point) v. East Point R.C.

SCHOOL SPORTS.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE BOARDERS.

To-day—starting at twelve o'clock noon—at the Hongkong Football Club ground, Happy Valley—the fifth annual athletic sports of the St. Joseph's College Boarders' Athletic Association. Tea—4 p.m.

"HONGKONG AT WEMBLEY."

The following letter appears in the correspondence columns of the "North China Daily News":—

Sir,—The sub-heading you have given to Reuter's telegram—"Sir Robert Ho Tung Supervising This Year's Display"—is not quite correct.

The Hongkong Section (shops and everything) is being run entirely by the Hongkong Government this year, with the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Secretary of Chinese Affairs) in control, and Sir Robert Ho Tung attends in the capacity of Honorary Chinese Commissioner.

It is a tribute to his untiring energy and devotion to the Colony's interests that Sir Robert is again at Wembley, and his presence undoubtedly instils the necessary confidence in the Chinese workers, as it did last year.

Lady Ho Tung it is who is responsible for the silk exposition—the complete process, from rearing of silkworms to weaving of the silk—which was one of the most popular features at Wembley last year.

I am, etc.,

JUST FROM HONGKONG.

Shanghai, May 4, 1925.

OLD BOYS MEET.

The success of the water polo team of the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association in winning the Hongkong Polo League was the subject of congratulation at the annual meeting of the Association, presided over by Mr. G. F. Nightingale. This success, the Chairman attributed very largely to the efforts of Mr. Thompson, the very energetic and enthusiastic trainer. The number of members of the Association had increased 50 per cent. during the year and financially it was in a sound position.

The following officers were elected for the year:—President, Mr. E. Ralphs; Vice-President, Mr. B. Wylie; Chairman, Mr. G. F. Nightingale; Treasurer, Mr. J. V. Ramsay; Secretary, Mr. G. H. White; Committee, Misses E. George and D. Witchell, Messrs. W. Hyde, E. Railton and B. Rasmussen.

CHURCH NOTES

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

SUNDAY, May 10th.

Divine Service at 10.15 a.m. and 6 p.m. conducted by Rev. Henry S. F. Rostron.

Morning Subject:—"A Full Life."

Evening Subject:—"The Hope of the World."

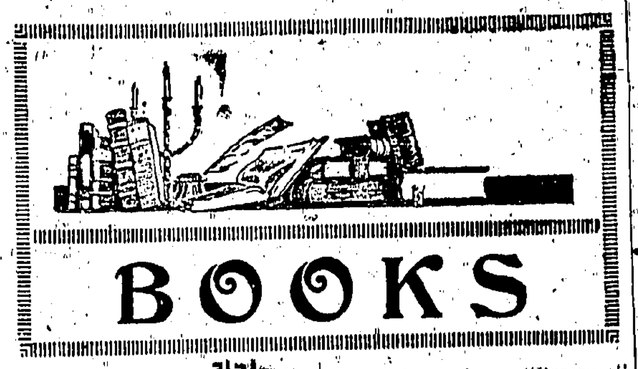
8 p.m. Chaplain's Meeting at Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, MacDonnell Road, Below Bowen Road, Tram Station.

Sunday, 11.15 a.m.

Wednesday, 8.15 p.m.

Reading Room open Tuesday and Friday mornings 10 to 12.



BOOKS

JAMES STEPHENS.

A GREAT IRISH PROSE MASTER.

The Irish literary revival had given the world distinguished poets and dramatists, and that chapter in Anglo-Irish literature was almost closed, before two writers emerged who were to do for narrative prose what had already been done for poetry by W. B. Yeats and A. E., and in the theatre by J. M. Synge and Padraic Colum. These two writers were James Stephens and James Joyce, both born in 1882. As several ingenious admirers of James Joyce have evolved a theory that the author of "Ulysses" represents the literature of "Young Ireland," and that James Stephens belongs to the generation of Yeats, a few bibliographical facts may be usefully considered.

Although both authors are famous as prose writers, they began, not with fiction, but with poetry. Joyce's "Chamber Music" appeared in 1907, and "Insurrections" by James Stephens in 1909. In 1912 came "The Charwoman's Daughter," known in America as "Mary, Mary," and in the same year a second volume of verse, "The Hill of Vision," and "The Crock of Gold" the book that established his name. In 1914 "The Demi-Gods" triumphantly confirmed that success. Almost simultaneously appeared James Joyce's "Dubliners." From that point the bibliographies of both writers coincide, and as Joyce and Stephens have written out of an identical Irish experience and Irish life, as all their formative years and formative influences were centered in the same Dublin, those who can see in perspective the literature of which each is an integral part will dismiss the notion so sedulously fostered that James Stephens is a local Irish storyteller, whereas James Joyce is a "European" phenomenon.

They are the two indubitably original and great prose masters of their generation in "Anglo-Irish" literature. To couple their names is not to invite conflicting contrasts; for their workers complementary in its exposition of Irish life and character. As Padraic Colum recently said, Stephens has brought into our literature the fundamental gaiety of his race, the whimsical, humorous imagination, which is so different from the dreary buffoonery usually called "Irish" humour. But James Joyce that element is almost completely lacking, so that while others have wasted much time in denouncing what they call the "obscenity" of "Ulysses," Irish criticism complains rather of the too deliberate suppression from that otherwise marvellous chronicle of Dublin of the laughter and joy of life. Perhaps only an Irish reader can ever know how meticulously how marvellously the mood and spirit of a city have been rendered by Joyce in "A Portrait of the Artist" and "Ulysses," and why therefore, one may legitimately reproach the author with having omitted just what makes his picture short of perfection.

Equally it must be insisted that, while James Stephens supplies the balance that is missing in Joyce, he is not by any means another Hogarth, demanding only "the more smiling aspects" of Irish life. His poetry alone is sufficient to show how richly and characteristically he is endowed with that streak of harsh disillusionment which is deep in the Irish temperament. If he is not actually brutal, he shows, nevertheless, that incapacity for self-deception which often prompts a writer to brutal statement. But essentially his genius is poetic and fantastic; he does not attempt to express himself as a realist, and escapes into the realm of fancy even in so realistic a setting as that of "The Charwoman's Daughter." Thus his imagination has been stirred by the old Irish legendary lore, not as other translators and adapters have been stirred, but in a profound kinship of spirit. And so he has been absorbed in that world of Gaelic wonder, from which have come "Deirdre" and "In the Land of Youth," and his unjustly neglected "Irish Fairy Tales." The two former are the beginning of a series of five volumes in which Stephens has set out to give us an Irish Arabian Nights. The transmutation of those figures of the heroic age, of Deirdre, Naisi, Cuchulain and the others, from vague shadows out of legend into living creatures of his own imaginative blood and bone is a remarkable, and it may be, his supreme achievement.

In verse, too, his skill as an interpreter of the Gaelic spirit is testified by the fact that those who have heard him during his lecture tour in America have been most enchanted by his versions of David O'Bruadair, Antoine O'Raftery and Keating, and by his poems based on Irish models. They are his "Reincarnations" of old Irish literature.

EPITAPH.

ON A WRITER OF PLAYS.

(Which may be found somewhere in England about A.D. 2125.)

Stop, passer-by, and read the epitaph,
Of one who caused his fellowmen to laugh.
That he resembled Shakespeare he would boast,
Of all his jokes this made us laugh the most.
England, detested, for his home he chose,
That he might write in hateful English prose.
He sneered at English folk, and mocked their ways,
Yet took the cash they paid to see his plays,
But when at last he bowed to Nature's law,
No man was found to take the place of Shaw.

—C.H. IN THE "OUTLOOK."

THE LITERARY UNDERTAKER.

ATTENDS THE CONRAD SALE AS "AN ADMIRER."

One of the most interesting personalities at the sale of manuscripts and books from the library of Joseph Conrad, held at Chancery-lane by Messrs. Hodgson and Co., was an old bearded man in a bowler hat green with age.

He is a literary enthusiast as well as an undertaker and upholsterer, and often drops into auction rooms with a hammer in his hand and a carpet bag under his arm to see what he can pick up. He did not bid; he told a newspaper representative that he attended as an admirer of Conrad and his works, and curious as to the result of the auction.

He was to the fore all the time, as a yawning boy strolled between the dealers and handed round the much-corrected MSS. for view, while the auctioneer sonked forth the bids. The sale, conducted by the orders of Mrs. Conrad, was a very good one, the sum of £1,804 being realised.

£150 FOR "THE TALE."

The particular prize was the original holograph MS. of "The Tale," on 18 folio sheets, mostly in typescript, but heavily corrected in Mr. Conrad's writing. This was knocked down to Messrs. Galloway and Porter, the Cambridge booksellers, for £150.

America is to have the typescript of an unpublished article, "The Unlighted Coast," in which Conrad describes his North Sea trip in 1917 on a mystery ship, including a vivid account of a "strafe" between a Zeppelin and a drifter. This was snapped up by Messrs. Spurr and Swift, the American literary agents, for £86.

A feature of the manuscript was, in the words of the catalogue, the "numerous alterations" in the hand of the author.

In "The Inn of the Two Witches" "A Find," there were "alterations and corrections on every page, but more profuse in the latter half of the story.

It was a dealers' sale, and the wink of an eye, the flick of a catalogue, and the casual nod saw the shillings mount into pounds in seconds. There were good steady prices for a wide range of presentation books signed by the authors in tribute to Conrad, but the purchasers were the quiet men who handle books commercially, and not the devoted admirers of the many, such as the literary undertaker.

ROBEYISMS FOR THE FIRESIDE.

A PRINCE OF STAGE MIRTH.

Mr. George Robey continues to add to the gaiety of the nation, not only as a comedian of unique humour, but also as a writer whose pen drips wholesome fun and amusement.

You may open his latest volume, "Mental Fireworks" (John Long, 2s. 6d.) at any page with the certainty of finding a deliciously funny story. Judged by the standard of the strictest veracity there are occasional lapses, and the autobiography—if it is autobiography—is perhaps not the kind which would go down with a judge in a court of law. Mr. Robey tells all the stories in the first person singular, and if everything he has set down happens to him in private life he must lead a very variegated and exciting existence.

But though there is a laugh in every page there is also some very sound philosophy sandwiched between the jokes.

FUN AND COMMON SENSE.

In one of these delightful flights of fancy, "Is Life Worth Living?" he puts before his assembled household the blessings of insurance:—

"It is my duty to remind you that kitchen boilers have been known to explode, step-ladders do collapse, window-sashes to break—in short, countless dangers lurk around us at every turn."

Cook, Perkins, and Tweeny breathed deeply.

"It would be hard to say," I continued, "whether life within doors or life without presents gravest perils. Come into the streets with me and let us see what awaits you there. I am speaking figuratively," I added hurriedly, observing that Cook and Tweeney had risen. "Should we venture to take a tram, this tram may collide with another or run off the rails. Should we select the motor-bus again, who shall say that it will not crash against other vehicles, or lose a wheel, or skid and overturn? On the other hand, we may prefer to go on foot. Even so, death lies in wait for us at every step."

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"'Twenty years ago I would have spent the concluding hours of the Sabbath surrounded by my loved ones beneath my own roof-tree. There would have been supper, consisting of rather red cold beef, rather wet salad, cold clammy apple-pie, blancmange, and a very big, very yellow cheese. This would have been followed by hymns in the drawing-room—or possibly, if our views were a little lax, by some round-game played with pencils and pieces of paper. The fact that I am here, and strongly tempted to drop a sardine on the head of that bald gentleman down below, is due to what they call the March of Progress.'"—Bill the Conqueror, by P. G. Wodehouse. (Methuen). 7s. 6d.

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KING EDWARD.

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["The Life of King Edward VII.," by Sir SIDNEY LEE.]

ESSAYS AND ARTICLES.

Mr. G. K. Chesterton, at the Lamb Centenary dinner, said he was not an essayist. "I write articles," he continued, "and a profound schism of hatred divides those who write essays from those who write articles. The essayist inhabits eternity, but the writer of articles is very emphatically under the government of time." Anyone who read the English essays would find in them material for hundreds of speculative philosophic notions, said Mr. Chesterton. The art of founding new movements consisted in taking a paragraph from Lamb, Hazlitt, or De Quincey, separating it from its context, dividing it from common sense, and changing it into a mania. If one liked, one might make such things into a fad and found an American church, but if one was wise one would read the essay and thank God for it.

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"VANITY FAIR."

The new screen version of "Vanity Fair," produced by Hugo Ballin for Goldwyn release, with Mabel Ballin starred in the rôle of Becky Sharp, marks a milestone in the faithful translation to the screen of a great novelist's story. Mr. Ballin made the screen script himself and at all times kept close to the original story. He felt that as "Vanity Fair" is one of the glories not alone of English, but of world, literature that it should be told on the screen as nearly as possible like the story narrated in the novel. So that when "Vanity Fair" is shown at the World Theatre to-day for a 5-day showing, the public may rest satisfied that it is going to see Thackeray's masterpiece as he told it and not a garbled version with stunts and spectacles which it never occurred to the author to interpolate.

This does not mean that Mr. Ballin's production of "Vanity Fair" is not a big production; for it has physical bigness as well as artistic greatness. The big ball scene in Brussels on the eve of the battle of Waterloo is one of the finest scenes of its kind ever translated to the screen. And the Waterloo battle episodes are of a spectacular nature. The producer has stressed clear through the photoplay, however, the human side of the story and the various characters involved.

Becky Sharp, the scheming little minx who flatters men and lies and cheats, dominates the film version as she did the novel. Mabel Ballin, charming screen star who has risen rapidly to a dominating position in the film world, plays the rôle of Becky. In nothing that she has ever done in pictures has she been so completely mistress of the art of acting. Her Becky Sharp lives—"might have stepped out of the pages of the book," as the phrase is. She gives a brilliant performance which will give her new rank in her profession.

Goldwyn put all of its studio and technical resources at the command of Mr. Ballin so that his "Vanity Fair" is in every respect a fine and worthy production, which ranks right along with the other big productions made by Goldwyn—"The Christian," "The Strangers' Banquet" and "Tess of the D'Urbervilles." The costumes are historically correct and are a most attractive feature of the pictorial ensemble. Several magnificent sets were built under the direction of Cedric Gibbons, Goldwyn's art director. The photoplay has a distinctive pictorial effect due to the composition and lighting arrangements. Mr. Ballin was a painter of prominence before becoming a film director and he brings to his new calling all the training and experience of his painting days—a distinct advantage, for the films share some of the attributes of the painter's art.

Goldwyn aided Mr. Ballin in obtaining the services of many of the best known screen actors of the day for his picturization of "Vanity Fair." Hobart Bosworth, now under contract to Goldwyn and who had just appeared in the Marshal Neilan film version of "The Strangers' Banquet," is cast for the rôle of the Marquis of Steyne, a part which he has played on the speaking stage with great success. His characterization of the rôle in this photoplay is of unusual brilliance.

There are many other important players in the cast: George Walsh as Rawdon Crawley, Earle Foxe as Capt. William Dobbin, Harrison Ford as George Osborne, Wilard Louis as Joseph Sedley, William Humphreys as Mr. Sedley, Robert Mack as Sir Pitt Crawley, James Marcus as Old Osborne, Eleanor Bourdman as Amelia Sedley, Laura La Varnie as Miss Sedley, Otto Lederer, Frank Hayes and a score of others.

This new screen version of "Vanity Fair," taking it by and large, is one of the film events of the year. This story has not been put upon the screen for more than ten years in which time there has been a great improvement in the mechanical processes by which pictures are made, in the motion picture camera and in projection machinery. It is a great story magnificently translated to the screen.

"THE ELEVENTH HOUR."

During the making of "The Eleventh Hour," the William Fox screen production adapted from Lincoln J. Carter's melodrama, soon to be played at the World Theatre, the element of danger was one of the most perplexing with which the producers had to deal. How to reduce this to a minimum was a problem constantly facing Director Durning and the co-stars, Charles Jones and Shirley Mason. One instance of the thoroughness of preparation preceded the shooting of Jones and Miss Mason through the torpedo tubes of a disabled submarine. They passed an entire week studying the mechanism of this death dealing device of the under-water craft.

The air pressure gauges had to be properly watched so that their bodies would be completely discharged into the water and not caught in the tubes; the elevation of the prow of the boat had to be adjusted exactly; all the manifold wheels, handles and levers had to be in perfect condition.

In such a stunt there could be no rehearsals. The first attempt had to be successful. Due to the terrific concussion the two stars came to the surface of the water so dazed that had it not been for the nearness of one or two expert swimmers, "The Eleventh Hour" would have been their last picture.

Before they were shot through the tubes heavy padding was placed against the soles of their feet to "take up" some of the tremendous concussion that was necessary to force them through the greased tubes. However, before the two stars rose to the surface of the water they were preceded by a volume of oil forced out by their bodies.

The first to come to the surface was the slim little Miss Mason, bedraggled, pale and exhausted. In another moment came the curly-haired head of Charles Jones, enveloped in oil bubbles; but who immediately struck out for the girl whose strength was fast ebbing. Of course he rescued her.

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Though Abe Mitchell played golf continuously for three months during his American tour, he has returned in his finest form, without any suggestion of staleness.

When the competitive seasons opened with the Roehampton tournament, he gave a superb display, twice equalling his record of 67 for the course. With an aggregate of 134 he led the field in the qualifying test by four strokes, Arthur Havers, who did a round of 66 in the morning, being second.

Hitting the ball dead down the middle and a tremendous distance, Mitchell made the course look very easy. In the afternoon his golf was amazing. He reached the turn in 34, and then did four holes in 3, 3, 2, 3! At the thirteenth he might well have had another 2, for the ball rolled gently up to the hole, and if the pin had been out it would certainly have dropped.

But Mitchell did not keep this flash of brilliance. At the 14th he was bunkered and, after a glorious drive at the 18th, he sent the ball over the road at the back of the green and out of bounds. It was an astonishing mistake, which Mitchell explained by saying that his caddie had given him the wrong club and he had not noticed it.

TWO RECORDS.

In spite of these lapses, Mitchell's aggregate of 134 is a record for a first-class competition over 36 holes.

Havers and Ockenden also played brilliantly, and in the morning the latter came home in 30 strokes—the best nine holes of the day, and the best, I imagine, ever done in a big tournament.

Only the men who did exceptional things were able to qualify, those who failed including E. R. Whitecombe (147), Sandy Herd (149), J. H. Taylor (147), George Gadd (146), C. A. Whitecombe (150), Ted Ray (146) and Harry Vardon (157).

BIG SALARIES.

IT PAYS TO GOLF.

H. Diegel and Eugene Sarazen, the latter United States open golf champion in 1922, have been signed by the Golf Park Country Club of Miami, Fla., to represent the club beginning December 1 next at annual salaries of $5,000 each, said to be the largest ever paid professional golfers for a similar length of duty. Their season at Miami will run from December 1 to April 1, and the contract runs for two years.

Announcement of the engagement was made in Washington by Diegel before he left for New York to take up his duties at the Glen Oak Club, Great Neck, L. I., where he will be through the summer.

In addition to the salary named, either Diegel or Sarazen will get $1,000 additional if he wins the United States or British open championship. A house is under construction for the two professionals at the club in Florida.

BOXING CHAMPIONS.

THE HEAVY-WEIGHT TITLE.

Close contests, in which there was a great deal of excellent boxing, marked the Amateur Boxing Championships at Holland Park Hall, when the titles at the various weights were won as follows:—

Fly—*E. Warwick, Columbia.
Bantam—A. Goom, Rugby.
Feather—*A. H. Beavis, Poly.
Light—Sign. Viney, I.S.B.A.
Welter—*P. O'Hanrahan Poly.
Middle—*J. Elliot, Poly.
Light-heavy—*H. J. Mitchell, Poly.
Heavy—Lieut. Lister, Buffs and Belsize.

*Previous holder.

To the smaller men must be given the credit of showing the better boxing, E. Warwick retained the fly-weight honours against W. James, Garrison, B.C. (Birmingham), in a contest which was full of excellent boxing; and Goom's left hand, when defeating Johnson in the final of the bantams, was quite a classic.

One of the surprises was when Lieut. Lister boxed his way through the semi-final of the heavies at the expense of the holder, A. J. Clifton. The latter did not appear to possess an idea as to how he should get clear of Lister's left hand.

Lister was the real general, for he used his safe left just so often as to make it easy for a right upper-cut that was painful to Clifton.

In the final Lister continued his excellent work, and Hulks was no more able to avoid that eternal left hand than Clifton had been before. Thus we discovered two new champions — Lister and Signalman Viney, who defeated Gogay, the Bermondsey lightweight so successful in America recently.

O'Hanrahan did not have much difficulty in keeping the welter title, and his final with a fellow-clubman, Marlow, was quite a tame affair.

Elliott impressed me as being rather stale when he met Howells, from the Roath B.C., Cardiff; but there was no doubt about his victory, for he was too quick with his left hand for the Welshman, and could also make time in which to cross with the right.

Jackson made an excellent show against H. J. Mitchell in the light-heavies final, and was loudly cheered at the conclusion of a bout which was won clearly, but by no means easily.

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DOGS.

MANY WOMEN SEND EXHIBITS.

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Each year the proportion of women exhibitors increases. Most of the kennels scattered over the country are nowadays in feminine care.

The men, however, still are in the majority among the owners of sporting dogs. This year, with King George among the exhibitors, the Labradors seem the most popular of all retrievers. Their smooth coats far outnumber the wavy-haired type of hunting dog. Sportsmen regard them highly, not only because of their surpassing hunting qualities, but with due regard for their good looks, docile disposition, intelligence and affectionate ways. They are both faithful companions and trustworthy guards.

THREE EVILS.

FOOTBALL IN AMERICA.

Physical instructors must take it upon themselves to remove the evils of intercollegiate football or college presidents will some day abolish it, Prof. C. W. Savage, head of the department of physical education at Oberlin College, told the Middle West Society of Physical Education at its convention in Chicago.

"I have been pictured as a Bolshevist because my position has been misconstrued," said Professor Savage. "Don't get me as wanting to abolish intercollegiate football—I want to save it. If we do not correct it, its reform will be undertaken by persons less sympathetic with it, who will probably do away with it altogether.

"There are three evils. One is the emphasis on victory which dismisses a coach if his team loses a few games. It was a fine act of the trustee of the University of Minnesota to investigate the complaints of the M. Club against William Spaulding before permitting him to be dropped. They found that there was nothing to it except that some of the alumni were too greedy for victories, and they told them so.

"The second evil is commercialism, and the excessive sums spent on intercollegiate football. I understand Ohio State spent the most of last year on intra-mural football, $13,000. For all their students on the varsity teams I will venture they spent as much as $250,000.

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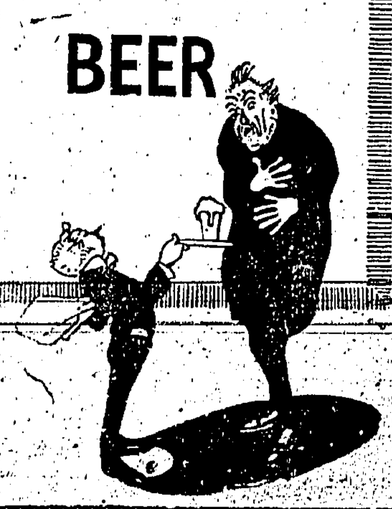

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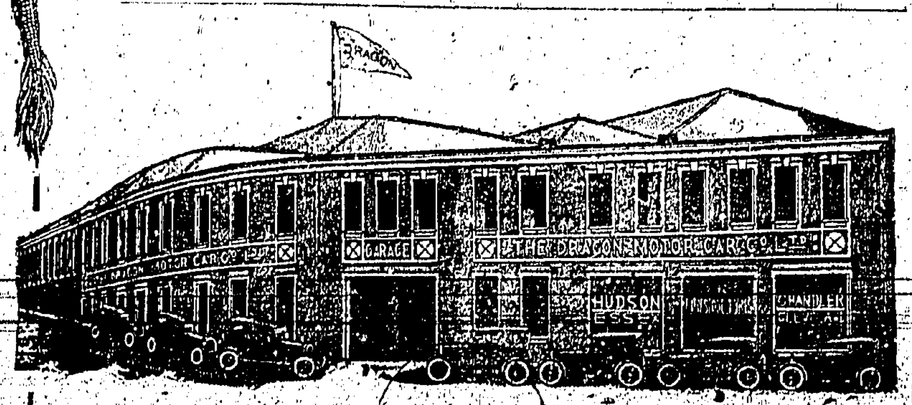

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VOLUNTEERS.

LAST NIGHT'S SMOKING CONCERT.

The last occasion on which His Excellency the Governor Sir Edward Stubbs, will have met the local Volunteer Corps was that of the annual smoking concert and presentation of prizes which took place last night, nearly 200 members of the Corps attending. Among the guests were Commodore A. J. Stirling, Major Drake, Major Willson, the Hon Mr. H. W. Bird, Mr. J. A. Plummer, and Mr. T. J. Gaisford-St. Lawrence. The chair was occupied by Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, Commandant of the Corps.

Prior to His Excellency presenting the prizes Lt. Col. Bird addressed the gathering and spoke of the present strength and work of each section. Although the numbers of the Corps had increased to 480 he would not be satisfied until every fit man in the Colony was a member. Laying stress on the part the Corps was playing in the local sporting world, Lt. Col. Bird said they hoped to make it the premier sporting association. They could put a team in the field in any sport and there was only the question of the ground. They hoped, however, to enlist the sympathy of Mr. Creasy (laughter).

Before presenting the prizes His Excellency, emphasising that it was the last occasion on which he would have the pleasure of addressing them as Volunteers, congratulated Lt. Col. Bird on the success which had attended his efforts to bring the Corps to a high state of efficiency and recalled the time when after the war he (His Excellency) had been called upon to decide whether service in the Corps should be compulsory. In deciding in favour of voluntary service he thought that they would be able to rely on the public spirit of Hongkong to provide adequate assistance to the military garrison and in his own mind he had limited possible figures to 300. This had been exceeded by 50 per cent and he hoped that it would increase still further in future years.

THE PRIZES.

His Excellency presented prizes as under:

All Comers' competition.—(Prizes given by R. G. Shewan, Esq. and A. H. Barlow, Esq.) 1. Major J. F. Drake, East Surreys, 2. Gnr. N. L. Railton H.V.D.C., 3. Marine Baker, H. M. S. Tamar, 4. Marine Carrington, Stonecutters Staff.

Range prizes.—200 yards, Ldg. Sea. Griggs, H. M. S. Ambrose. 500 yards, Corpl. Green, H. M. S. Ambrose, 600 yards. L/Corpl. Meaker, East Surreys.

Blake Shield Competition.—Won by Engineer Coy Sergt.-Major R. J. Everest, Sappers J. Watson, E. R. Dovey, G. R. Maskell and G. E. Stephens.

Special prize given by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., for highest individual score, won by Corporal F. C. Goodman, No. 6 Platoon.)

Francis Cup Competition.—Prizes given by G. M. Young, Esq.) Won by Engineers Company, Sappers E. R. Dovey, J. Watson, G. R. Maskell and G. E. Stephens.

Musketry Competition.—(1st Prize given by Henry Humphreys, Esq.), 1, Corps Sergt.-Mayor H. Westlake, D.C.M., 2, Sapper G. E. Stephens, 3, Sapper E. R. Dovey.

Tyro Competition.—Won by Corporal A. H. Penn.

Jar Competition.—Won by No. 6 Platoon (Corporal F. C. Goodman, Pte. Hyde, Pte. Keith).

H. K. V. Reserves Challenge Cup.—Won by Pte. R. Lapsley.

Tile Competition.—(Prizes given by J. Reid, Esq.) Won by No. 1 Platoon, (Sergt. H. Green, Corpl. E. G. Stewart, Pte. P. Brown, Corpl. E. J. R. Mitchell, L/Corpl. H.K. Prosser.)

Corps Championship.—(Prizes given by B. D. F. Beith, Esq.), Winner, Sapper G. R. Maskell, 2. Coy. Sergt.-Major R. J. Everest, 3. Corporal F. C. Goodman.

Revolver Competition (H.V.D.C.)—Perize given by Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird), 1, Sapper E. R. Dovey, 2. C.S.M., A.M., Thornhill.

Revolver Competition (All Comers).—)1st Prize given by R. M. Dyer, Esq.), 1. Marine Baker, H.M.S., Tamar 2. Sergt. Tugwell, Stonecutters Range Staff, 3. Sergt. Carpenter, H.K. Police.

Attack Competition.—(Prizes given by J. H. Taggart, Esq.), Won by No. 1 Platoon, (Leader, Corpl. R. R. Davies, Lieut. S. J. Jordain, M. C., Corpl. E. J. R. Mitchell, Corpl. A. H. Penn, Corpl. E. G. Stewart, Pte. A. C. L. Bowker, Pte. H. G. Burns.

Machine Gun Competition.—(Prizes given by J. A. Plummer, Esq.), Won by L/Corpl. A. C. Groves, Pte O. Skinner, Pte. D. E. G. Nicholson.

Musketry Challenge Cup (Presented by Lt. Col. Bird), won by the Artillery Company.

The Lugard Cup (Shooting at unknown ranges), won at annual Camp by No. 1 Platoon.

The Efficiency Cup.—Won by the Artillery Co.

Artillery Cup (presented by Sir H. C. R. Robinson),—the Taikoo Section, Artillery Company.

During the evening the following gentlemen contributed to an excellent programme of Song and recitation:—Messrs. G. H. Gomperts, J. W. Blackley, S. W. G. Perry, R. H. Charles, O. Skinner, W. A. Hannibal, J. Bartholomew, E. M. Hanlon, A. H. Potts and J. B. Milne.

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OUTWARD MAILS.

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	SATURDAY,	MAY	9.		
Bangkok				Dux	1 p.m.
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Shanghai, Japan, *Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America, Honolulu & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 2nd June. Parcels Noon. Registration 1.15 p.m. Letters 2 p.m.				Pres. Pierce	
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Swatow, Amoy and Formosa				Horan Maru	9 a.m.
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				Hulchow	2.30 p.m.
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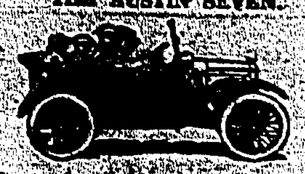

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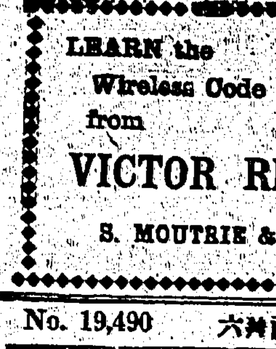

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The beggar problem and the measures adopted by the police for its solution have been the subject of considerable comment of late. It would appear that the aspect involving potential cargo pilferers, bag-snatchers, etc., which has also have been more pronounced of late, has not been overlooked.

For some time interested Chinese and others have been working with a view to founding a home in which such boys from the age of 10 may be taught proficiency in handicraft which will enable them to become useful members of a society to which they are at present nothing but a pest.

A "China Mail" representative who made enquiries was informed by the Assistant Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., C.B.E., that the Government was not sponsoring the scheme, neither was the institution to be regarded as a reformatory or Borstal Institute. No crime would have to be committed for admittance to be gained and the object was purely preventative. The matter had not proceeded far enough for any announcement to be made regarding plans, staffing, etc.

From another source it is gathered that the matter which is engaging the attention of the directors is the advisability of securing a Silician Father as Director. One of the Silician priests has actually been approached and has expressed willingness to accept the appointment. The Rev. gentleman has also furnished the promoters, it is stated, with a rough estimate of the number of instructors required and their salaries.

It is the intention of the promoters to raise a sum of $500,000 for the project. The construction of the home will absorb about $200,000, but it is stated that the Government will be asked to contribute half that amount so that the balance of the money can be used as an Endowment Fund, also that it is proposed to ask the Government to bear half of the annual expenses of upkeep.

150 children who are to be admitted at any rate to begin with on a residential qualification (parents to have resided here for a number of years) are being prepared for at the commencement. After they have been sufficiently trained to work they will be found occupation and if they earn more than enough to keep themselves they will be expected to contribute to the Endowment Fund.

The inauguration of this scheme serves as a reminder of the development which is to take place at this particular part of the island along with other developments on the south side already noted. As regards Stanley village, progress has been so considerable as to justify the extension of the Aberdeen 'bus service to the peninsula which is already well served by a regular launch service.

Then there is the Government's promise of land to St. Stephen's College, who, if they raise the necessary money in the specified time, intend using in part the foundations of the old Garrison building in connection with their scheme for the foundation there of a fine school with extensive playing fields.

The remains of the Garrison walls and the now carefully tended cemetery with tombstones bear record to the grim toll taken in the early days, and there are many stories current as to the struggles in these dark times against disease for the coping of which the men were so ill-equipped. One instance of the ignorance prevailing even among so-called medical men is vouched for in the official records, which bear the written recipe of one of the medical officers for combatting the disease which was so sadly depleting the ranks—this was to the effect that all doors and windows should be closed in summer and fires kept continually burning!

THIEF'S FALL.

A Chinese fell into the hands of the police yesterday in a disabled condition with injuries to his head and body. Taking advantage of darkness, the man gained access to the back verandah on the first floor of No. 31, Wyndham Street, where he tried to force open a window. His presence was noticed by one of the inmates, who promptly blew a police whistle. In his anxiety to escape, the man missed his footing and fell into the yard.

BIT A GIRL?

Coolie's Rough Behaviour.

SAID IT WAS FUN.

REV. MR. LINDSAY'S DAUGHTER FRIGHTENED.

Reports current as to the biting of a European child by a coolie in Kowloon would appear to be considerably exaggerated, although there is a certain amount of truth in them.

A coolie who delivered goods to the Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Lindsay at St. Andrew's Rectory would appear to have been fond of their little daughter of four years of age and to have been in the habit of playing with her when he called.

Yesterday morning the coolie became unduly rough and the little girl ran to her mother with marks on her arm which she said were caused by a bite.

The coolie's attitude was that it was merely a playful pinch.

The little girl was considerably frightened and although Mr. Lindsay after due consideration decided not to bring a charge against the coolie, asked that it should be made clear to him that he was not to interfere in this manner with children.

LAST SATURDAY'S PRETTY KOWLOON WEDDING.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Miss Winifred Yeo, who arrived last week from Home, and Mr. G. B. Labrum, photographed with friends outside St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, after their marriage on Saturday. Miss D. Carrick, who attended the bride, Mr. H. E. Trenerry, who attended the bridegroom, the Rev. G. R. Lindsay, who officiated, also Mr. V. C. Labrum, who gave away the bride, are among others in the group.

HIGHER RENTS.

DETAILS OF DRAFT BILL.

THE 15 PER CENT. INCREASE.

Recommendations by the committee of the Legislative Council, appointed to inquire into the Rents Ordinance, are likely to take shape in an ordinance shortly, as a draft bill known as the Rents Amendment Ordinance has been published in the "Government Gazette."

Clause 2 of the bill sustitutes the words "the rent recoverable in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance" in place of the words "standard rent" in certain sections of the principal Ordinance.

[The standard rent is that paid on December 31, 1920 and the rent recoverable in accordance with the provisions of the new Ordinance will be the standard rent plus 15 per cent.]

Clause 3 of the bill provides for the permission to increase the standard rent by 15 per cent. For domestic tenements the rent of which is payable by the *lunar* month, the increase is allowed to come into force as from June 30, 1925. For tenements the rent of which is payable by the *lunar* (Chinese moon) month, the increase is permitted from July 20, 1925.

Clause 4 of the bill provides that upon summary conviction, lessors who threaten to apply for a reconstruction certificate, or threatens to take action on such a certificate and thereby receives or demands rent more than the amount provided, be liable to a fine not exceeding $1,000. Upon hearing of any summons issued under the complete section (i.e. the section in the principal Ordinance and the additions made thereto by clause 4 of the bill), a magistrate can, in addition to imposing a fine, order the defendant to pay the tenant any sum obtained by the means of threat referred to.

The objects and reasons, as published are:—

Clause 2 of this bill makes certain necessary amendments in the principal Ordinance, in place where the standard rent is referred to so as to fit in with clause 3 of this Bill.

Clause 3 of this bill enacts by a new section 3A to the principal Ordinance the increase of fifteen per cent. which is recommended in Resolution 1 in the Report of the committee of the Legislative Council on the Rents Ordinance, which resolution (it should be carefully noted) does not sanction any increase on the present rent being paid by a sub-tenant, provided that such present rent has already been raised to as much as fifteen per cent above the standard rent.

Clause 4 of this Bill is aimed against a practice which unfortunately prevails to a certain extent, of threatening a tenant with reconstruction unless he will pay more rent. Sub-section (2) of clause 4 is based up the provisions of section 19 of the principal Ordinance.

Clause 5 of this Bill carries out the first part of Resolution 1 in the Report of the Rents Committee, namely, that the duration of the Rents Ordinance be extended for one year from June 30, 1925.

COLONY'S FINANCES.

On January 31, the Government's balance in hand was $13,446,516 74. In January $1,085,571 45 was received and $1,646,604 00 spent.

The Shipping Control Account stands at $2,220,493 91. The Government has over nine lakhs in subsidiary coins, over a million out on building loans and an investment account of over nine million dollars but an overdraft at the Bank of nearly nine and a half lakhs.

Two baskets brought to the Central Police Station by a ricsha coolie yesterday evening were found on examination to contain 500 tins of opium. The coolie stated that the baskets were placed in his vehicle by an unknown man at Queen's Street, who asked him to proceed to the Kwong Tai Loi boarding house and wait there. The coolie waited for two hours, but the man did not turn up.

WATER RETURNS.

FIGURES FOR LAST MONTH.

CURIOUS ANOMALIES.

The water returns showing the levels and storage of water in reservoirs on the City and Hill District water works level, also the Kowloon water works level, both taken on May 1, do not differ greatly from those of last year.

Hongkong is a little above last year's storage at this period, there being a total of 1,079.09 million gallons as compared with 1,011.38 million gallons, Tytam, Tytam Intermediate, and Pokfulam reservoirs all showing slight increases, and Tytam Tuk a decrease. Curiously enough, with an increased population of over 10,000 the consumption for the month for Hongkong has decreased from 262.53 million gallons to 238.33 million gallons, or from a consumption of 23 gallons per head per day to one of 20.3 gallons per head per day. A constant supply in all rider main districts during April, 1924, an intermittent supply in all rider main districts up to April 4, 1925, and a constant supply in all rider main districts for the rest of the month, is reported for Hongkong.

More water is in store also at the Kowloon Water works which is 18 feet below overflow as compared with 23ft. 9in. last year and has in store 191.50 million gallons as compared with 151.25 million gallons last year. The population of Kowloon has increased by about 5,000 and the consumption for the month has also increased from 63.38 million gallons last year to 66.83 million gallons this year, the consumption per head per day having increased from 14.6 gallons to 14.9 gallons.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

It is also notified that the name of The Fu Lee and Company, Limited has been struck off the Register, in addition to The Lee Hong Steamship Company, Ltd.

JUST LIKE HOME.

SIR HARRY LAUDER AND HONGKONG.

A LETTER IN THE DORIC.

"One of the Most Beautiful Places In The World."

Sir Harry Lauder, the famous comedian, writing home from Hongkong, praised the Colony in the highest terms, saying it was just like home.

Sir Harry Lauder, who arrived in Hongkong on February 11 and left a fornight later, motored round the island, also to Fanling where he played golf, and he seems to have been very favourably impressed with the scenery, comparing it to Argyll's mountains, glens and bens.

In spite of the doubts he expressed to a "China Mail" representative shortly after he arrived here as to whether after all he was going to find many Scotsmen in the Colony for "if so they mun cover up their kilties weel for never a one huv' I set eyes on," he seemed afterwards to have fallen in with many kindred Scots with whom he toured the Colony. At the special dinner given in his honour by Forfarshire men Sir Harry said that during his stay here he had felt "in the bosom of friends." His visit had afforded him a wealth of pleasure and he would take away a great memory of Hongkong.

These were no idle words for the "China Mail" is able to publish a letter he wrote to a friend during his stay in Hongkong.

The letter was to Mr. Charles Young, chemist, Dundee, an intimate friend of the great comedian, in the Doric. It was written at Hongkong on February 15, and was as follows:—

Friend Chairlie.—

Man, I'm haein' a fine time here in Hongkong. Have met a few Scots frae Dundee, Kirrie, Brechin, and the auld toon, Arbroath.

It is fine to meet sae far awa' frae hame roon' a cup o' kindness—tea—for auld langsyne. We hae cracked aboot oor half-time days at Gordon's, when we plunked the schule and got oor lickens frae "Stumpy" Bell, and a' the auld daft days aboot the cliffs and the Common.

I'll be in Shanghai next, and I am sure to come across anither lot frae the auld land. It is wonderfu' hoo mony brither Scots are awa' frae hame. They surely make up a great part of the backbone of our Empire. They just canna help being a success. The grit there, and the fame o' auld Scotland is aye nailed to the top o' the mast.

This Hongkong is one of the most beautiful places in the world. The mountains tower high up into the mist. It is just like Argyll, with mountains, glens, and bens. I never felt more at hame. Maybe it is because, "East, west, hame's best."

My warmest respecs to a' the lads.—Your freen, Harry Lauder.

"GIRL GUIDES."

ANOTHER INSULT TO SCOTLAND.

A reader of the "North China Daily News" writes to that paper as follows:—Sir,—After the Church Parade to-day as the Volunteers were in line waiting to march to the Bund, my three little ones and I came out of the Cathedral School and we stood to watch. All three were watching with the greatest interest as the different divisions moved off when suddenly an eager little voice exclaimed, "Here come the Girl Guides" and I looked up to see the Scottish in their kilts bringing up the rear. As the child is only four and a half years it seems to me too good a joke to keep to myself.

LAST MONTH'S RAIN.

During the month of April, the highest temperature recorded was 81.2 degrees Far. and the lowest 52.4.

The rainfall for the month of April at the Botanical Gardens was 8.20 ins. on 18 days, at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett it was 7.97 ins. on 15 days, and at the Police Station, Taipo, it was 9.30 ins. on 15 days.

The lowest barometer reading, at sea level, was 29.779 ins. at 4 p.m., and 5 p.m., on the 3rd.

The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 52 miles per hour 12.11 p.m., on the 14.

THE LOCAL BAR.

In the Government Gazette to-day is a bill to amend the Legal Practitioners Ordinance of 1871. In the "objects and reasons," it is stated that in 1873, Mr. Rowett, an unofficial member brought forward a motion. The then Attorney General proposed an amendment which was carried. The bill also refers to the functions of barristers and solicitors, the law, and the etiquette of the legal profession.

The theft of four macaroni cutting machines, valued at $88, between 7 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on Thursday, has been reported to the police by a Chinese factory handling this product.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

LONDON BULLION.

MOCATTA AND GOLDSMIDS' REPORT.

In their report of April 2 on the London silk market Messrs. Mocatta & Goldsmid state:—

The silver market has been very quiet during the past week and although there was a recovery from 31 5/16d. to 31 13/16d. on the 28th ultimo, there has since been a further set-back in the price and to-day's quotation is 31 7/16d. for spot and 31 5/16d. for two months' delivery.

The recovery on the 28th ultimo was chiefly due to China buying but subsequent sales from that quarter have further depressed the market and the undertone is not very strong. The Continent has been more a seller than a buyer whilst India has taken little interest in the market except for covering some of their bear sales.

In the absence of any demand for shipment the premium on ready silver has gradually decreased and is now only 1/16d. over forward. The tendency of the market is undecided and some further decline seems possible but China seems less anxious to sell at the lower level.

Gold—Only a small amount was available this week and this was taken for the Continent and Home trade there being no demand from India. The quotation has varied between 86s. 5d. and 86s. 7d. per ounce fine.

RUBBER PRICES IN JAVA.

According to a Dutch paper, there was activity in the rubber market at Sourabaya between April 14 and 16, and on the first mentioned date bidders from Batavia were seen very busy bidding for first quality sheets and crepe for spot delivery. From f1.04 per half kilo, bids went up to f1.11 at the first auction. At subsequent auctions for forward sales the prices declined from f1.03½ to one guilder for May and June deliveries. The second day, witnessed somewhat better prices than the previous lowest quotation, and for June and July deliveries business was done at between f1 and f1.07 for half kilo. On the last day several forward contracts were done up to the end of this year by some big estates. July to September prices have been given at from 99 cents to f1.02 and July to December deliveries have been agreed between sellers and purchasers at prices ranging from 98 cents to one guilder only. According to the rate of exchange in Straits Currency one guilder is worth about 71 3 cents.

COLLIERES CLOSED.

SITUATION IN ENGLAND.

No fewer than 120 collieries in England and Scotland have closed since the beginning of the year, involving the acceptance of the unemployment dole by 20,000 workers. The latest to cease operation is the Great Wyerly Colliery in Staffordshire employing 700 men.

William Davies of Liverpool, owner of the Little Neston Collieries in Cheshire, who avows that he has lost £250 weekly and a total of £60,000 on the operations of his mines, has made an offer to his men to let them work the mine for themselves for nine months, the workers to keep any profit that might be made, while he would contribute £50 weekly toward any possible loss. The District Miners' Federation looked at the offer, but apparently it intends to refuse.

LONDON-STOCKHOLM.

A TELEPHONE PLANNED.

Tentative negotiations continue with a view to linking up by telephone all the important cities of Europe and Asia with London and each other. Tests have already been made between London and Berlin Stockholm and Turin. These were for the definite purpose of finding out means of linking up the telephone systems in the different countries.

Technical difficulties, says the Post Office, have been overcome and those remaining consist of getting facilities from the various countries in which it is desired to operate. A Stockholm call involves a distance of 1,500 miles, two submarine and three land cables and three countries. When diplomatic difficulties are overcome it is expected that a regular night service between London and Stockholm will be established. This goes under the North Sea via Amsterdam and Hamburg, whence there is a submarine cable again to Malmö and by land to Stockholm. The question whether Paris or Berlin or some other city will be the future seat of an international telephone exchange is expected to give rise to considerable discussion when it comes up for decision.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor's Weekly Share Report states:—

A fair amount of business was put through during the week under review and the undertone of the market is firm with great demand for investment stocks.

Shanghai market is steady.

Hongkong Banks:—A large number of shares changed hands at $1,230 and closed firm at this price.

Unions:—Are in great demand at $272 with no sellers.

Canton Insurances:—These shares are very difficult to obtain, offering $700 without attracting sellers. Shares have changed hands at $800.

Hongkong Fires:—Have strong buyers at $650.

Hotels:—Have had more inquiries and have come to business at $16 for cash and $16¾ for June, and closed with strong buyers at these rates.

Hongkong Lands:—Are wanted at $95 for cash but have no sellers at that price. Sales have been effected at $97 for June.

Humphreys:—Changed hands at $21 and closed with strong buyers at this price.

Cements:—Have eased off a little and are wanted at $29¼ for cash. Shares have changed hands at $28¾ and $29 for cash, and closed with sellers at $29¾ for June with no buyers.

Wharves:—Have had a rise and have come to business at $201 to $203 for cash, but towards the close eased off to a selling rate of $200.

Hongkong Docks:—These shares changed hands at $120 for cash and $120½ for settlement.

Shanghai Docks:—Have had a further rise and are in great demand at Tls. 131½.

Hongkong Electrics:—Have also had a rise and a fair number of shares changed hands at $85 for cash and $88 for June, but towards the close eased off a little.

Trams:—Have been more or less neglected. Sales have been effected at $42½ for June and closed with sellers at this price.

China Sugars:—Have changed hands at $62 for cash and more share are wanted at this price.

China Providents:—Have a nominal quotation of $49.

China Lights:—Have had a decline and closed with sellers at $34, without attracting buyers.

Dairy Farms:—Are in great demand at $27 with few if any sellers.

Steamboats:—Have also had a rise and are wanted at $39½ for cash without inducing sellers.

Star Ferries:—Have been the medium of a large business at $84 and $84½ and closed with buyers at the former rate.

Lane Crawfords:—Have strong buyers at $17.10 with no sellers, shares having changed hands at $17½.

London Quotations of 7th instant:—Banks, £139½: Indos Deferred, £9: Shells, £4/7/-6. All middle prices.

Exchange:—Demand on London is 2/3-1/16 and T/T on Shanghai is 73½.

Next Settlement Day is Tuesday, May 26.

LOCAL IMPORTS.

REPORT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce's fortnightly report states:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods:—Apart from a few tentative enquiries, probably made in order to test prices, our market remains unchanged, and offtake is poor. Mid. Am. Cotton was quoted 12.54d, in Liverpool no 7th inst., and Eg Sakellarides 32.21d.

Cotton Yarn:—Market continues dull and stagnant and there is nothing fresh to report. Quotations are nominal:—No. 10s. $202/216, No. 12s. $208/218, No. 16s. $225/232, No. 20s. $228/235. Unsold stock 14,200 bales. Bargains 2,500 bales.

Woollens;—Market dull.

Raw Cottons:—There is no change to report.

Metals:—Business remains stagnant, with local prices inclined to sag.

Flour Market report:—Stock: 450,000 sacks. Market: Steady. Quotations: American Patent $4.75 per sack ex godown, American Straight $3.75 per sack ex. godown, American Cut off 3.65 per sack ex-godown, Shanghai Flour $3.60 per sack ex. godown, Australian No. 1 3.70 per sack ex. godown, Canadian Cut off 3.40 per sack ex. godown.

Sundries:—Market quite.

Java Sugar:—Market dull and weak.

Philippine Sugar:—Market quiet.

Saltpetre:—Very dull market since last report.

INDIA'S ABSORPTION OF BULLION.

Some idea of the absorbing it might almost be said the seriously absorbing power of India in the matter of precious metals is shown very strikingly in the current monthly issue of the National City Bank of New York, in which it is stated that during last year India took both gold and silver in almost record-breaking sums. Her total absorption of gold was 7,008,000 ounces, or nearly £30,000,000, and in the last three years it has been about £70,000,000. Even these figures, it is pointed out, were slightly exceeded for the three years ending 1913. As regards silver absorption, the National City Bank of New York states in 1924 India received 97,817,000 ounces, against 99,284,000 in 1923 and 72,015,000 in 1922. For these three years the total was 269,000,000 ounces, which compares with 103,000,000 ounces in the three years preceding the war. High prices for her products and large trade balances explain her acquisition of the precious metals.

FIJI ISLANDS.

PRODUCTS FOR CANADA PROJECTED.

Back of an arrangement being entered into by private capitalists to build a new cold storage plant in Vancouver to cost $1,500,000, is a plan for the organized distribution throughout Canada of the products of the Fiji Islands. The enterprise, also contemplates cold storage facilities for the products of the Okanagan and other valleys of the interior.

Mr. Alozoff who is back of the proposal says that all arrangements for the financing of the new undertaking have been completed in Montreal, providing the harbour board does not build a plant with money to be furnished by the Dominion Government, as has been suggested by that body. Financial arrangements have also been made for the distribution of the products of the Fiji Islands on a large scale.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 11th May 1925.

On London—
Bank, Wire... ... ...2/3
" On demand 2/3 1/16
" 30 day's sight... ...
" 4 months' sight ...2/3-1
Credits, 4 months' sight ...2/3-1
Documentary, 4 months sight 2/4
On Paris—
On demand 1050
Credits, 4 months' sight ...1150
On demand ... ... nom.
On New York—
On demand 54¼
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 56¼
On Bombay—
Wire ... ...
On demand 150¼
On Calcutta—
Wire ... ...
On demand ... ...
On Singapore—
On demand 86¼
On Manila—
On demand 109½
On Shanghai—
On demand ... ... nom.
30 days' sight (private paper)
On Yokohama—
On demand 129¼
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) 47
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 5.64
Silver (per oz.) 31¼

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 50 cents sub. ... 2 % dis.
" 10 " ... par.
" 5 " ... 3 % dis.
Canton coins ...32½ % dis.
Bar Silver in Hongkong 10 % pm.
Chinese Copper Cash ... 10 % pm.
Chinese Copper Cents ... 6 % pm.
Rate of Native Interest 5 % to 7 % out
Chinese Sub. Coin ... 31 % dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin. ... par.

SUGAR.

Forward sales of superior sugar deliveries c.i.f. London for the months of May, August, October and December this year, says a Dutch paper, work out at an average price of only seventeen shillings and nine pence per picul. It is reported that dealers and importers in England and the refiners as well have reduced by 6 pence for every 100 pounds sold.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

10.30 A.M.

MAY 11 Names	Stock Exchange	MAY 11. Sharebrokers' Association.
Bank		
H.S.B.C. T.T. on selling rate		
London ...	2/3	2/3
and on Shanghai ...	73-3/8	73-3/8
Hongkong Banks 1225 b	1210 sa London—£139 b	b 1225 sa 12'0
Chartered Bank	£21¼ b.	b. £21-1/2
Mercantile Bank A B	£23-1/2 b.	b. "A" £23¼
do. C.	£13-1/8 b.	b. "C" £13⅛
P. & O. Bank	£ 11⅛ s	b. £11⅛
East Asia Bank	97½ n	n. 100
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance...	780 b.	b. 780
China Und'rs	3.40 b.	b 3.20
North China Insurance ...	T140 n.	n. 140
Union Insurance	275 b	b 273
Yangtsze Insurance	45 b.	b. 45
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	200 b.	b. 200
Hongkong Fire Insurance...	655 b	b. 650
Shipping		
Douglases	54 s.	n. 52
H.K. Steamboats	39½ b	n 39½
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	4½ n.	b. 4.85
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38 n.	n. 38
do. (Def.)	120 s.	—
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	120 s.	n. 120
Shell Transports	83/- b.	n. 83/-
Star Ferries	82 b	b 84
Water-boats	17-1/4 n	n. 17½
Oriental Nav. Co.	255 n.	n 255
Refineries		
China Sugar	63 n	n 62-1/2
Malabon Sugar	53 s	s 51¼
Mining		
Benguets	2½ b.	—
Kailan Mining Adm.	57/- b	n 57/-
Langkats... ... ... }	Comb. T24½ b	b. 25
Shanghai Loans ... }	T 7 n.	n. 7
S'hai Explorations... }	T 5½ s	n. 8
Single Langkats ...	T12½ sa	n. 11-1/2
Raubs	3.30 n	n. 3½
Tronoh Mines	54/- n.	b 54/-
Ural Casp.	8/- n.	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharfs	119 s	n 198
H. & W. Dock...	120½ n	b 120 s. 121
Shanghai Hongkews	T200 n.	—
New Engineerings...	T 9 b	n. 9-1/2
S'hai Docks	T130½ b	b 130
Cements	—	—
H. K. Engineerings	—	—
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
H.K. & S'hai Hotels 15½ b. New -		sa 16 30/-
Hongkong Lands	95 b 98 s	b 94-1/2 sa 94½-95
H.K. Realty	4.85 b	b. 4.85
Humphreys Estates	20-1/2 b	b 20-1/2 s 21
Kowloon Lands	$ —	—
Princes Building	150 n	n. 150
H.K. Territorials...	2½ b 3 s.	s. 3-1/2
Rural Lands...	10 n.	—
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ...	T 11½ n.	n 11-1/2
Kung Yiks	—	—
Laou Kung Mows...	—	—
Orientals...	T. 3.90 b.	s 3.90
Shanghai Cotton	T 57 n New T 31 n.	n. 60 New 33 n.
Yangtzepoos...	—	—
Miscellaneous.		
Cements ... ... 21 n. New 9 n.		(n. 20 New n. 9
Cements "Combined 29½ n		(Comb. b 28.80
China Lights (Old) ... ... 24 n.		n. 23½
do (New) 33 n. Comb 33½ s 33¾-33⅞ sa		(New n. 31½ Comb 33½
China Providents 16 s, New 15.10'n.		n. 15 New 14 n
H.K. Developments ... b. 80 Cents		b. 70 sa 75 Cents
Providents Combined ... 46 s		Comb. n 48-1/2
Dairy Farms... ... ... 26½ b.		b 27
H.K. Electrics ... ... 81 b 80-85 sa		s 85½ sa 84½
Macao do ... ... 42 n.		—
Hongkong and Canton Ices		b. 7½
Hongkong Rope... ... 18 n. New 10.20 n.		b 17-1/2 New 10 b.
Ropes Combined...	54 n	n 54
Hongkong Tramways... ...	41 sa	sa 41½
Peak Tramways (Old)... ...	24 b.	b. 23
Do. (New) ...	9½ b.	b 8.10
Watson's... ... ... 23½ n New 21½ n.		(b 23½ New b 21-1/2
Wm. Powells...	14 b.	—
Lane Crawfords	17½ b	b. 16½
Canton Ices	7-1/2 b	—
H.K. Construction	4½ n.	b. 4½ n 5
Nanyang Tobacco	—	b. 9½
Sincere's	12-1/2 n.	b. 15
Mackintosh	21-1/2 n.	—
H.K. Taxis	7½ s	sa. 6.12
China Borax	T14-1/2 b.	—
Trams	—	—
Singapore Trams	1½ n.	n 1.85
Dor A. Wine fully paid ...	10 n.	n. 10
part Do paid	5 n.	n. 5
United Abaca (Founders)		n. 800
do. (Ordinary) 20 n.		n. 19

GABY DESLYS.

FAMILY'S CLAIM FIVE YEARS AFTER.

The father and two sisters of Mlle. Gaby Deslys, the actress, who died five years ago, are taking steps to press their claim to a large share of her estate, according to the Hungarian laws of inheritance.

Gaby Deslys was born in Moravia (then part of Austria) in 1884. Her real name was Hedwig Nawratil. She was brought up in Hungary, near Budapest, and afterwards became a seamstress in Vienna, then a dancer in small cabarets.

She was later adopted by a Mme. Caire, at Marseilles, and became a naturalised Frenchwoman. Except a legacy to her dancing partner, Mr. Harry Pilcer, she left all her wealth to the city of Marseilles, which is disputing the relatives' claim. At first the French authorities would not believe that the Nawratil family had anything to do with her, but there is now no doubt that Gaby Deslys was Hedwig Nawratil.

*** At the time of her death it was reported in Paris that Gaby Deslys left about £400,000.

VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

May 7.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 14th May, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1924.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 14th May, 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
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Hongkong, 27th April, 1925.

HONGKONG & TERRITORIAL ESTATES, LIMITED.

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on Wednesday, the 20th May, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 15th January, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 9th May, 1925, until Wednesday, the 20th May, 1925, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th May, 1925.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 30th May and MONDAY, 1st June, 1925, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, 16th May, 1925.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1925

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1925, at 12.20 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1924, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 16th to May 29th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 8th, 1925.

MATTHEW JOHN DENMAN STEPHENS (DECEASED.)

ALL Claims against the Estate of the above deceased must be sent to the Undersigned forthwith.

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E. RALPHS,
Inspector of English Schools,
Education Department.
Hongkong, 7th May, 1925.

HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS, LIMITED.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL GENENAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Offices, China Buildings (Fourth Floor, East Side), Queen's Road, Central, on SATURDAY, 16th May, 1925, at noon for the purposes following, namely.—

(a) To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st March, 1925.

(b) To elect Directors in the place of those retiring by rotation and an Auditor.

(c) To sanction the declaration of a dividend.

(d) To sanction the issue of 9,000 Preferred Ordinary Shares of $10 each ranking equally with the Preferred Ordinary Shares already issued, the conditions of issue to be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

(e) To transact any other ordinary business of the company.

The Transfer Books of the company will be closed from the 14th day of May to the 16th day of May, both inclusive.

Dated 9th day of May, 1925.
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THE DOMINICAN ORDER.

DEATH OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL.

The Most Reverend Father Louis Theisling, Superior General of the Dominican Order, died in Rome on the 2nd inst., at the age of 69. He was born on the 31st January 1856.

He was elected Superior General on August 4th 1916, and had since visited the whole Order, spread all over the world. He arrived in Hongkong on the 16th July, 1917, and after staying for some days in the Spanish Dominican Procuration, he visited the Dominican Missions in Tonkin, Indo-China. Afterwards he went to Manila to visit all the Colleges and Missions the Order has in the Philippine Islands. He visited also the many Dominican Missions in the Province of Fukien and Formosa and also those in Japan on his way to America.

By his death, the Rev. Father S. Tamayo, Provincial of the Spanish Dominican Fathers in the Far East, will become Superior General of the Order until the new election next year. The election of a new Superior ordinarily takes place every twelve years, but the death of a Superior before the completion of twelve years, makes an earlier election necessary.

Father Tamayo is now in his 58th year. He was elected Provincial of the Dominican Fathers in the Far East in 1917 with residence in Manila. He has been many times in Hongkong on his way to visit the Missions or the houses that this vast Province has in America, Spain and Rome.

The Province, known in the Order by the name of the Province of Santissimo Rosario of Philippine Islands, has three flourishing Missions in Tonkin with 4 Bishops; 3 Vicariates in Fukien with 3 Bishops: the Apostolic Prefecture of Formosa and the Apostolic Prefecture in Shikoku, Japan. All these Missions with innumerable Churches, Colleges and Orphanages depend entirely for their material support upon the Spanish Dominican Procuration, No. 2 Seymour Road, Hongkong.

The present staff in charge of the Missions consist of 150 Spanish, 7 German, and 6 American Dominican Fathers. Over 200 native Priests are helping the European Fathers; 50 Spanish and Filipino Sisters are in charge of the Colleges in Taipeh, Foochow and Matsuyama, and there are seven orphanages in the Province of Fukien and one in Formosa. The girls received in those eight orphanages average 7,000 a year. Another three to four thousand are received in the Orphanages of Tonkin in charge of the Native Sisters belonging to the third Order of St. Dominic.

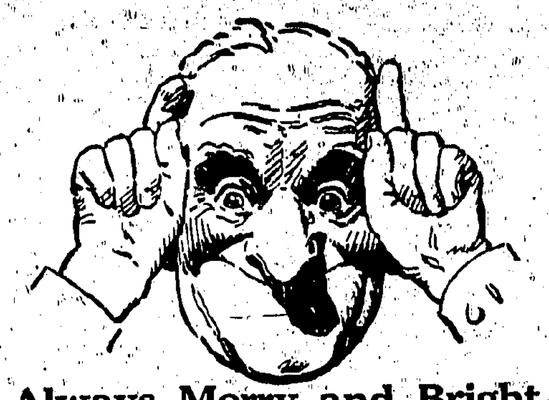
A dozen German Dominican Sisters came lately to the field of Fukien and very soon six Dominican Sisters from the United States are expected to work also in Fukien.

STAR THEATRE.

LEE WHITE'S SUCCESS.

In spite of yesterday's inclement weather the Lee White Co. opened to a good house, at the Star Theatre, last night. As usual Lee White and Clay Smith were the life of the show, keeping the audience in a continual state of merriment from the moment the curtain rose till it fell, and they were finely assisted by the Peaches Gus MacNaughton, and the remainder of an all round excellent company.

To-night the Company is showing the "Girl for the Boy" a sparkling comedy of the best kind.



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SCHOOL SPORTS.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE BOARDERS.

The St. Joseph's College Boarders' Athletic Association held their fifth annual sports meeting on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club, Happy Valley, on Saturday afternoon. The gathering, which was small at the commencement, increased as the afternoon wore on.

The programme was a long one, consisting of twenty-one items, in which there was lively competition, although the hot weather was not conducive to establishing good times or breaking records.

The following were the officials:—

President.—The Rev. Bro. Aimar (Director).

Referee.—The Rev. Bro. Cassian.

Judges.—The Rev. Brothers Paul and Concord, Messrs. C. Guimgam, W. S. Chung, T. C. Cheah, K. C. Liang, C. Houghton, and R. Pereira.

Starter.—Mr. U. M. Omar.

Handicappers.—Messrs. Tai Yew-ai and C. Wing-hung.

Timekeepers.—The Rev. Bro. Felix and Mr. C. Dragon.

At the conclusion of the sports, the prizes were distributed by the Rev. Fr. A. Riganti, who was accorded three rousing cheers on the call of the Rev. Bro. Aimar.

Full Results.

Long Jump (junior).—1, C. Witchell; 2, F. Cruz. Length: 12ft. 10ins.

Long Jump (senior).—1, E. Blanco; 2, C. Barros. Length: 16ft. 4ins.

100 yards Flat Race (small boys). Handicap.—1, Chiu Yat-foo; 2, Alvaro d'Assis.

120 yards Flat Race Handicap.—1, C. Smirck; 2, E. Xavier and S. Hamet.

High Jump (junior).—1, C. Barros; 2, J. Santiago. Height: 4ft. 2ins.

High Jump (senior).—1, C. Barros; 2, J. Santiago. Height: 4ft. 11ins.

Three Legged Race (seniors and juniors).—1, R. Rivera and Lo Tin-cheong; 2, F. F. Berceno and J. D. Sullivan.

220 yards Flat Race (junior) Handicap.—1, Lo Tin-cheong; 2, F. Cruz.

220 yards Flat Race (senior) Handicap.—1, C. Barros; 2, F. Berceno.

Teachers' Race Handicap.—1, Tai Yew-ai; 2, C. Houghton.

Half Mile Flat Race (junior) Handicap.—1, Tsang Pui-tak; 2, J. Barros.

Committee Race Handicap.—1, Wing Hung; 2, H. Noronha.

Half Mile Flat Race (senior) Hanicap.—1, C. Barros; 2, R. Riveria; 3, A. Mills.

Obstacle Race (small boys).—1, Alvaro d'Assis; 2, Armando d'Assis.

440 yards Flat Race (junior) Handicap.—1, C. Paby; 2, Ting Cheong.

440 yards Flat Race (senior) Handicap.—1, C. Barros; 2, R. Rivera.

440 yards Flat Race (post entries) Handicap.—1, I. Castro; 2, Lewis Woo.

Teachers v. Boarders Relay Race.—Winners—Teachers.

Consolation Race (senior and junior) Handicap.—1, T. Mas; 2, Siu Pui-wai.

Marathon Race (3 miles) Handicap.—1, A. Mills; 2, Lim Kim-heng; 3, Chan Yu-wing.

120 yards Race (small boys) Handicap.—1, C. Victor; 2, E. Xavier.

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AMERICAN AVIATOR KILLED.

OBSERVER'S ESCAPE.

(Reuter's Service.)

MANILA, May 10.

Lieut. John D. Barrigar, of the Air Service, was burned to death in camp at Stotsenberg on Saturday when his plane struck a tree. The observer, Pte. James Kabes, jumped in time and was only slightly hurt.

MOVE TO LEFT.

FRENCH MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 10.

The second ballot for the municipal elections in the capital confirmed the previous movement to the Left.

The Communists gained three seats and the Socialists ten.

The Council is now formed of four Conservatives, 14 Right Republicans, 23 Left Republicans, 31 Socialists and 8 Communists.

HARD CASH.

GERMANY'S REPARATION PAYMENTS

BRITAIN'S SHARE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 10.

In the first eight months of the first Dawes year, Germany has paid 610,000,000 gold marks in reparations, five sixths of which has been paid in cash from the proceeds of the foreign loan.

Britain received nearly 150,000,000 gold marks.

PRESENTATION.

OLD KOWLOON RESIDENT LEAVING.

An old resident who has taken a keen interest in the affairs of the Kowloon Residents' Association of which he was a Committee member and late Chairman also in the Kowloon Cricket Club, particularly of the bowls section and in St. Andrew's Church, leaves the Colony on Friday in the person of Mr. D. A. Purves, of Torres Buildings, Kowloon. Mr. Purves has resided in the Colony for 35 years and his departure will be very keenly regretted by a wide circle of acquaintances on the Peninsula and Island.

Mr. Purves was presented with a handsome silver tea service at the K.C.C. on Saturday evening at the conclusion of the bowls matches, given by members and suitably inscribed. In the absence of the President and Vice President, both of whom are in England, Mr. A. O. Brawn made the presentation and spoke of the regret all felt in losing such an esteemed member and old friend. Mr. Purves was one of the land marks of Kowloon and one of the pillars of the Kowloon Cricket Club. He had always been loyal to the Club, and particularly to the bowls section, and everybody appreciated what he had been able to do. Mr. Brawn expressed the hope that Mr. Purves would live to spend many happy years at Home in quiet retirement. (Applause).

Mr. Purves was received with loud applause when he rose to reply. He referred to the many happy days he had spent in the Colony and of his pleasant association with the Kowloon Cricket Club and its members.

Berlin, May 9.—A meeting of Reichstag Deputies of all parties, who have had experience in former colonies, have formed an inter-party Colonial Union and appointed a Committee under Doctor Bell, the last Colonial Minister to draw up a programme of work inside and outside the Reichstag.—Reuter.

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Per A. O. L. s.s. "Pres. Jefferson" on May 8:—Hon. and Mrs H. W. Watson, Com. Wm. E. Palker, Mrs Fung Ya Kwai, Mr P. F. Magagna, Mr E. K. Quick, Mr H. M. Balhatchet, Lieut.-Com. G. Hargreaves, Capt E. W. Morris, Mr O. E. Hart, Mr E. C. Howard, Mr S. L. Garmjost, Mr and Mrs F. H. Wagner, Mrs B. D. E. Beith, Mr Lo Nam, Mrs C. P. Dawson, Miss S. Dawson, Mr A. C. I Bowker, Mr H. E. Hollands, Major W. S. Nathan, Mr and Mrs A. M Cowan, Mr Jas E Bell, Mrs C. Leup Chee, Mr O. H. Hall, Miss Grace Hall, Mr and Mrs W. E. Tenny, Mr and Mrs R. T. Edgar, Mr L. H. Burke, Miss M. L. Moelich, Mr S. F. Mayers, Mrs A. Waller, Miss Miss B Waller, Master R. Waller, Master E. Waller, Mr A. W. Harvey, Mr W. J. Mezger, Madan Noran, Miss L. Edgar, Dr. Geo. S. Counts, Mrs C. Alexander, Mrs F. E. Foy, Mr and Mrs F. I. Davis, Capt. R. F. Waker, Capt C. H. B. West, Mr Kwan Shih Mung, Mr G. S. de Firgeiredo, Mr A. Salmon, Miss A. Johrling, Dr. C. Johrling, Mrs A. Johrling, Mr R. C. Overton, Mr H. R. Meehleit, Mr O. Thorsen, Mr E. J. Turner, Mr R. Hertel, Mr H. H. Wimberg, Mrs G. H. Ferrie, Miss E. Parker, Dr. and Mrs T. O Chenoweth, Miss N. Chenoweth, Mr W. Boe, Mr Lee Chong, Mrs Sibwright, Messrs Ip Kung-lai, M. Nakawara, K. Takawa, Capt. C. D. Armstrong, Messrs E. F. Stewart, W. Hall, H. Hall, Cheong Yuk, Cheong Wai-sen, E. B. Reed, Capt. C. J. Bensely, Messrs A. W. Ramsey, E. Stripp, Chan Ming-sam, Master Chin Quock Dion, Tom Pang Lew Duek-yuen, Miss R. Chenonweth, Master N. Cheonweth, Mr and Mrs C. J. Bell, Mr and Mrs R. Carile, Miss D. O'Keefe, Mr S. Killen and Mr D. Morozoff.

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"MOREA"	10,911	30th May	Marseilles and London
"NAGOYA"	6,854	2nd June	M'lles, L'don, A'werp, H'burg & Hull
"JEYPORE"	5,319	6th June	Singapore and Bombay
"SICILIA"	6,813	11th June	S'apore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"KALYAN"	9,118	13th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	18th June	Singapore and Bombay
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	8,097	11th July	S'apore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"KASHMIR"	8,986	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,902	25th July	Marseilles & London
"SOUDAN"	6,896	8th Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles and London
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"KARMALA"	9,128	19th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
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"That there be added to Article 151 (o) of the Articles of Association of the Company the following clause—

'The Board of Directors shall have power from time to time to permit any Permanent Director who shall be absent from the Colony for more than one month at any one time to delegate by Power of Attorney under seal his office of a Director to any Shareholder not being a Director but holding the qualification of a Director and such Attorney shall thereupon be enabled to serve on the Board of Directors in the stead of the Director during his absence as aforesaid.'"

Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be held at the same place and hour on the 30th day of May, 1925.

Dated 9th day of May, 1925.

By Order,
M. W. STEVENS,
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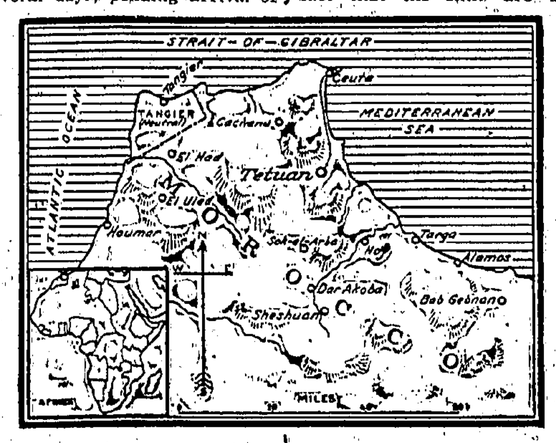
Hongkong, 7th May, 1925.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 9.

M. Painleve told Pressmen that France was acting in Morocco in full accord with the British and Spanish Governments. The position was at present stabilised, and no big operation was expected for several days, pending arrival of



reinforcement, after which a decisive blow would be struck with all the forces the situation demanded.

M. Painleve, in his statement to Pressmen on the subject of the anti-Riff operations in Morocco, said he was firmly determined to repress any attempt to a tribal rising. Most severe order would be maintained in order to prevent the possible spread of the agitation in French North Africa.

Paris, May 10.

Reports from Rabat state that important Riff concentrations have taken place. It is said that the enemy in some cases have taken up a position in strongly fortified entrenchments, General Chambrun has taken all necessary military and political measures to deal with the situation.

"Le Journal" says that the despatch to Morocco of General Niessel, the Inspector General of Aviation seems to be due to the fact that the Riffs are using aeroplanes. It also says that detachments of volunteers have been formed at Toulon to proceed Morocco.

Madrid, May 9.

A Riff ruse that failed is narrated in a communique dealing with the Melilla area. A force of over a thousand tribesmen, apparently advancing on the French zone, suddenly wheeled round and invaded the Spanish zone. The communique claims the attack was frustrated. The Spaniards captured prisoners and guns.

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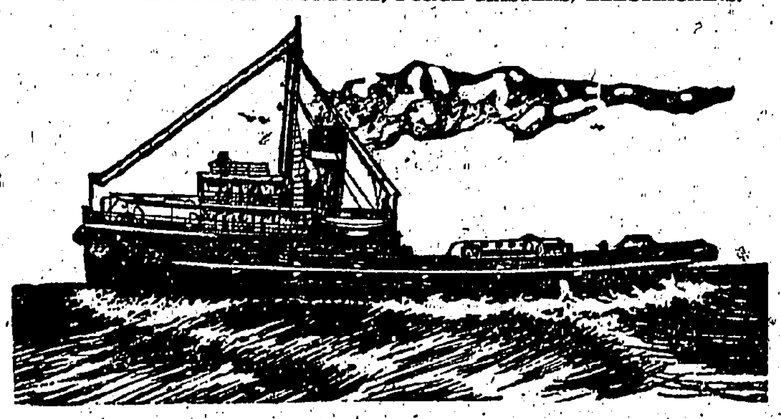

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ANOTHER ARMAMENTS RACE?

Is the world beginning another armaments race? It seems so. The Washington Limitation of Arms Conference stayed big battleship construction for 10 years, but it left the nations signatory to the treaty free to build cruisers up to 10,000 tons, and did not touch under-water and air craft. Remarkable activity is reported wherever the treaty laid no restrictive hand. The principal naval Powers—Great Britain, the United States, Japan, France and Italy—are said to have begun a new race for sea supremacy. Although the output of capital ships has been temporarily controlled, energies have been transferred to cruisers, destroyers and submarines. More of these are being built or are planned than before 1914. The total then was 226; to-day it is 289. Only 25 of these are for British or Dominion navies. The Washington Treaty not only limited the size of cruisers, but it confined guns to calibres not exceeding 8 inches. Naval architects, it is declared, are evolving new types of ships which strictly conform with the letter of the treaty but destroy its spirit, since, though nominally capital ships, they would in reality be fast and powerful cruisers, fulfilling the 10,000-ton limit. For example, France is allowed by the treaty to begin battleship construction in 1927 up to a total tonnage of 35,000 tons. It is now suggested that, instead of one battleship of that weight, she may build two battle-cruisers of 17,500 tons each, with eight 12in. guns and a speed of 34 knots. All this is disquieting. The British Empire's failure to ratify the Geneva Protocol means that the disarmament conference proposed by the League of Nations will not occur until later, at least. The way is left clear for the United States again to take the initiative in this matter. If another Washington conference secures real disarmament, it will confer a tremendous boon upon those nations who do not want war, however much they may believe in equipping themselves to resist aggressors.

Threats.

Better late than never, although better never late. We have legislation proposed which, looking to certain types of Chinese character, and remembering practical experience of the evil effect of the exercise of it, the authorities should long since have introduced. The fifteen per cent. increase on standard rents will soon be a fact accomplished. Protests, verbal and otherwise, have been made against what may now be described as the thin end of the wedge, without avail. A sop has been thrown to good and bad landlords alike, and speculative and investment elements have been encouraged. The Bill which it is all too evident the Legislative Council will adopt, makes provision against the type of person who will use threats to gain his ends—threats he will not carry out. Only in this respect, can the Bill have whole-hearted support. Those who, in the past, have succeeded in their ends by indulging in this form of "blackmail," deserve the contempt of all right-thinking people. They have put themselves outside the pale of good citizenship by adding to prevailing discontent and that form of outlook which is now popularly described as Bolshevism. The Government should turn its eyes in other directions, where the threat is a powerful offensive weapon, and see if it cannot introduce legislation to meet an evil peculiarly prevalent in certain Chinese circles.

Little Hsu.

Little Hsu, or General Hsu Shutseng to give him his rightful name, who, is being entertained officially in England, started on his tour from Hongkong last year. Deported by the Shanghai Settlement he came here on a Blue Funnel steamer and was met by Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P. He did not want to land in Hongkong and he was informed that he might not be allowed to land in England. After some haggling, Hsu came ashore and stayed with Li Yew-hon, former Civil Governor of Kwangtung. On the day of his arrival, a "China Mail" reporter showed him the first authentic message of the fall of the Peking Government. When his party, the Anfu clique, came into power, his outlook became changed. Instead of visiting Europe to "add to his knowledge the better to qualify himself as an administrator," as he said in an interview, he became the head of a mission. Many think that the man is short in stature, hence his name. Such is not the case. He is of medium height and is thick set. His "Little" was given him by European journalists in earlier days of the Republic when he was the present Chief Executive's right-hand man, to distinguish him from Hsu Shih-chang who became President.

PIRACY EVIL.

HOUSE OF COMMONS QUESTIONS.

EXISTING MEASURES.

CAN THEY BE IMPROVED UPON?

In the House of Commons, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Under-Secretary for the Colonies (Stafford), in reply to Sir J. Marriott (York, U.), said:—I am aware that complaints have been made of the prevalence of piracy in waters adjacent to Hongkong. Steps have been taken to increase the number of patrol craft and the efficiency of the armed guards carried in ships, and in certain narrow waters a system of escort by gunboats and armed launches has been instituted. The subject has been under consideration by a local committee and by an Inter-departmental Committee at home, and the Secretary of State is in communication with the Governor to see whether the measures already adopted can be improved upon. The present state of affairs is, of course, due to the civil war in the Kwangtung province, which has completely disrupted the policing by the Chinese authorities of the Canton delta and neighbouring waters, and until order has been restored in that area it is hardly to be hoped that further attempts at piracy will not take place. Punitive operations against the pirates have been carried out on several occasions with good results.

NO YANGTSZE SALE.

Owing to the difficulty of operations through piracies in Chinese waters and the consequent continued military—interference, the Dollar Steamship Co., an American firm, is reported by the Shanghai correspondent of the "Daily Mail" to have sold its entire shipping interests on the Yangtsze River, comprising steamers and shore property at Ichang and Chungking, to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, the biggest British coastal shipping company in China. The news is surprising, as the United States Congress recently voted £1,000,000 to build a fleet of six gunboats for the protection of American interests on the Yangtsze.

A report is issued by the Colonial Office of a conference on piracy in the waters near Hongkong, which was the outcome of representations made by the organisations of shipmasters, navigating and engineer officers.

The conference recommends that the fitting of wireless apparatus and the carrying of trained operators should be obligatory on all ships subject to the piracy regulations, and that the Admiralty should be asked to consider what steps should be taken to render the naval vessels patrolling the danger zone continuously able to receive distress calls from river steamers.

Responsibility for making provision for the dependents of their officers should rest with the shipowners, but failing the shipowners instituting a system of voluntary insurance the Hongkong Government should consider the question of making it obligatory on them either to insure their officers adequately or to defray the cost of an adequate Government scheme of insurance.

TO-DAY'S SMILE.

ROUMANIAN-GERMAN CRISIS.

"I will declare war on these Germans. Luckily I have no common frontier with them."—*Kikeriki, Vienna.*

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

THE EPIC. The Everest film last nothing by not been explained by the human voice. The titles were in good sense and not overdone; and there was interest in the picture for all. It is good that the picture is being shown to schoolchildren. The Government and particularly the Education Department should take the picture to its heart and arrange for it to be seen by as many as possible.

6.15 P.M. It was interesting to observe the way the innovation of having a matinee at 6.15 p.m. in the Theatre Royal went. There was a good crowd and it was plain to see that there is a class in Hongkong willing to be entertained from the time that afternoon tea ceases to the eve of the dinner hour. 6.15 would appear to suit professional as well as business men and also ladies who feel that home has a great claim on them. It will be interesting to see if the experiment is taken up by others.

EXPLAINED "It is rather difficult," says "Beachcomber" in the Daily Express to describe radio to one who knows nothing about it." He then suggests the following: Supposing you had a dog with a very long body, one that reached from Wigan in Scotland to the Isle of Wight, and supposing you trod on its tail in Wigan one day. Well, it would bark in the Isle of Wight the next second. Wireless is like that, only without the dog. And it need not be Wigan or the Isle of Wight.

WORDS AND MUSIC. "Our church has been without a pastor, for some months," writes a subcriber to *The Outlook*. "On Saturday the choir leader gave this notice to the daily paper: 'Linden Congregational Church. Morning worship at ten o'clock. Rev. Mr. Silver will preach and the choir will sing "The Lord have mercy upon us." ' Mr. Silver read the notice, but said nothing. In his sermon, however, he spoke of the wonders of science, and especially of airships. 'It will not be long,' he said, 'before they will be in common use. I can imagine many of this congregation getting into a big airplane on Sunday morning and going to some church many miles away to hear some good music.'"

WIGS ON THE TURF. Frequenters at Happy Valley know something of the business which takes them there. Not so other people in other places. "I never understand betting," says Mr. Justice Rowlatt. Just now it is to be feared that there are not many of his brethren of the Bench who could enlighten him very much, but in the Victorian era he could have got plenty of expert advice. There was Baron Martin, who being shown a beautiful landscape, replied, "Oh, yes—and I'd have the winning-post over there!" Lord Russell of Killowen was a very great man at Newmarket in his day, and Mr. Justice Hawkins knew everything there was to be known about the Turf.

TUSSAUDS: If Hongkong was asked to subscribe to a new Tussauds would it do so? It's burning seems to have caused some thoughts racing in the minds of Londoners or those who knew the place. Certainly there is a definite hope that the place will rise again at no distant date. Says one Home writer:—

To me, as to many others, Madame Tussauds was a brighter and a better National Portrait Gallery; its place in public esteem was securely fixed some where between Westminster Abbey and the Crystal Palace. Watching the pink flames during that hour of holocaust, a certain sadness passed through the crowd as though the Old Curiosity Shop of Dickens were perishing And were not Mrs. Jarley's waxworks being consumed? The crowd were not so deeply affected when Napoleon's carriage became a fiery chariot, but there was an oft expressed anxiety to save the Chamber of Horrors, somewhat relieved the next day by the enigmatic poster "Crippen Saved." Meantime none saw the parody of the Inferno, Bottomley and Father Vaughan and Lady Astor and Queen Victoria melting into each other's arms.

PEW-RENT SYSTEM. Kowloon has abolished the pew rent system but the Cathedral still goes in for "sittings." The Committee which was appointed by the Church Assembly at the spring of 1923 to consider and report upon the question of pew-rents and the appropriation of sittings in churches have issued their report. The report states that the total number of churches having pew-rents was given as 1,143 out of 13,000 returns by the statistical department and as 1,240 by the Revenues Commission. The proportion would thus appear to have decreased from 15.6 in 1886 to 11.3 or 10.4 according to which source of information was accepted, and the total number from 1,741 to about 1,200. The number of sittings rented was given as 262,633 out of 5,977,103, or rather over 4 per cent. The total income received in rents was roughly £144,000 per annum. There is a story of a somewhat straight-from-the-shoulder naval man who strolled into a "fashionable" Church one sunday and unknowingly sat him down in a paid pew. The renter coming in, was furious, but could not very well say anything. However he handed the naval man a card on which was written: I pay £50 a year for the pew you are occupying without my permission." This was returned with the scribbled comment: "You pay d—n well too much."

THE HE-MAN. Literary critics and other rude people have sometimes made fun of Miss Ethel Dell's heroines, who prefer the strong, silent man to the soulful variety; the cave-type who seizes his enchantress by the back hair rather than the Greek god who only gazes into the peerless depths of his mistress's eyes. The critics should apologise, for Miss Jane Burr, of America, has announced that she is divorcing her (second) husband because he is "tall and thin and melancholy—the deep, black recluse, a sweet, sensitive, near-male who was looking for a mother." He no longer fills the bill! Miss Burr thought she liked him, but now she is sure she does not; what she really wants, and means to get this time, is a proper "he-man"—and this, according to her, is "the cry of all the socalled intellectual women of my acquaintance." In other words, the Walk, if not the Way of an Eagle—the Ethel Dell man who murmurs pleasantly as he bullies the blushing bride, "A woman, a dog, and a walnut-tree, the more you beat them the better they be." If Miss Burr's case is typical, there is a boom in masculinity and a slump in feminsm—or the return of the feminine woman. The Victorian age is prettily avenged on its grand-children.

A DAISY-CHAIN. One of the minor problems of life is an engaged couple in the house. Though statistics are lacking, it is probable that the high percentage of lunacy among parents is due to the protracted engagements of their offspring.

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To live in close proximity to two persons who are engaged is (according to evidence) to exist in a continual state of nervous tension as to which room in the house is virtually closed to visitors.

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The importance of being certain is exampled by the story of the deaf parent who on hearing clicks coming from the billiard-room ventured in, only to find the clicks were oscular, not spherical.

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But—since it is well known tha the interrupter is always more confused than the one interrupted—it is safe to assume that that parent wished to sink through the floor or perform some other feat beyond his strength.

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And—as it is an everyday fact that an engaged couple notices nothing except its component part—is it not safe to assume also that parents (and others) credit lovers with a sensibility that they do not possess?

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Love is deafer than posts or parents. A gong might be banged until Love's ears were filled with brass filings, yet fail to impart the simple news that 'dinner is served.'

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Love—in parenthesis—is also dumb, imbecile, and paralytic. Poets have substituted other and more beautiful words, but a coin cannot be expected to come down 'heads' every time.

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This being so (and who shall dispute it?), those precautionary noises made by parents (and others) when wishing to give warning of their possible and incomprehensible approach are surely sheer waste of nervous tissue.

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Moreover, a house wherein every movement is orchestrated a house given over to sudden bursts of whistling, humming, and operatic singing, to false starts of sneezing and forced paroxysms of coughing—such a house is a poor, elongated synonym for Home.

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Besides, eh, engaged couple are—when occasion requires—their own wireless in these matters.

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Hongkong University to be on Chinese Mainland.

That Hongkong's University should be moved to the mainland in Chinese leased territory is part of the latest suggestion regarding the Boxer funds.

"ASTUTE" MOVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 10.

A correspondent of the "Observer," commenting on the action of the House of Commons in passing the third reading of the China Indemnity Bill, hopes the House of Lords, when the Bill comes before them, will take a longer and larger view of Imperial policy than the House of Commons.

Ronald McNeill.

The writer says that the refusal of Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, to confine the fund to education and similar purposes, and his statement that he desired to leave the committee free to subsidise not only medical work but also conservancy and engineering, were plainly intended to refer to conservancy in the Tientsin area and the completion of the Canton-Hankow railway which the Tientsin Chamber of Commerce astutely put forward as an attempt to get something for their area and to placate South China.

Were the fund twenty times as large both projects no doubt would be acceptable, but in view of the smallness of the fund, education including medicine, should absorb it all.

If the universities of Peking and Hongkong could thus be enabled to remove from their present constricted sites to the western hills and the mainland in Chinese leased territory, respectively; North China and South China would both benefit, and two monuments more enduring than brass would testify to England's goodwill towards China.

Writing in mail week, "The New Statesman" said: We are glad to see signs of increasing public interest in the proposals of the China Indemnity Bill. The decision that Great Britain should follow the example of other countries in remitting her quota of the Boxer indemnity was taken a considerable time ago. A Bill providing that the money should be spent on the education of the Chinese was introduced originally by the Conservatives in 1923, again by the Labour Government last year, and now by the Conservatives once more. There was hot Labour opposition to its Second Reading last week, on the ground that there were insufficient safeguards that the money would be devoted primarily to educational purposes. Strong suspicions were aroused by the action of the Government in dropping Mr. Bertrand Russell and Mr. Lowes Dickinson from the Committee set up to devise and carry out the scheme. Mr. Ronald McNeill did his best to placate the critics, but some of the Tories behind him made no concealment of what they want. What they want is expenditure on "the development of railways, roads and canals," and their desire is apparently shared by certain Chinese military leaders. But the weight of opinion in China is against the use of the money for commercial ends. The weight of opinion—even of Christian opinion—in China is also against the use of it for the benefit of religious missions. Sir Arthur Shipley, the Master of Christ's, writes to the "Times" this week enclosing a memorial from a number of Cambridge Professors and Heads of Colleges. This memorial urges the importance of devoting the fund to nothing but education or strictly cognate purposes. That is the only decent course for this country to take—and it is, moreover, the only sensible course. On the one hand is the possibility of a paltry material gain of a thousand or two miles of railway. On the other hand there is the opportunity of showing the Chinese that we are at least as capable of subordinating our acquisitive instincts as are the Americans and Japanese and Russians, who have all devoted their shares to educational or cultural purposes.

THE OTHER SIDE.

"Conservancy work on a large scale in the Province of Chihli is most important, because every year thousands of people are killed by floods, and millions of dollars' worth of property are destroyed. If it is still the intention of the British Government to use these (Boxer Indemnity) funds for the mutual benefit of the British and Chinese, surely no better use could be made of them than devoting at least a portion to save life and property."

"The foregoing is an extract from a letter by General Li Ching-lin, military governor of Chihli, and appeared in English and Chinese in a recent issue of the "Peking and Tientsin Times." It is appropriate to quote it at the present time when the matter of the China Indemnity Bill is so much before the public, for it comes as a counterblast to the propaganda which has been so assiduously conducted in favour of using the funds purely for educational purposes. Last week, while the Bill was before a Committee of the House of Commons, the Federation of British Industries urged in a memorandum that 20 or 30 per cent. of the Indemnity should be devoted to education and the rest applied to schemes of conservancy and reclamation and of communications. As regards conservancy, the memorandum said, millions of Chinese were constantly on the verge of starvation owing to periodical floods and consequent famine. Besides the humanitarian benefits which would be conferred—the saving of immense numbers of lives and the obviating of immeasurable suffering—the effect would be to increase the production of the land, which in its turn would lead to increased purchasing power and a higher standard of living. As regards communications, China has only about 7,000 miles of railway serving an estimated population of over 400,000,000, compared with Great Britain, with its 20,000 miles of railway and a population of 45,000,000 only. The Tientsin British Chamber of Commerce, an authority on the spot, is also strongly of the opinion that after adequately supporting British education and medical institutions in China, the remaining funds should be devoted towards helping China to recover economic and political stability. This view has ample support from other British and Chinese interests throughout the country, and now there is Mr. J. O. P. Bland advocating in the "Morning Post" the scientific conservancy of the Yellow River. He has no use for railway projects, so long as the country remains at the mercy of marauding troops, but his conservancy scheme he regarded as "an enterprise which, while providing an instructive object lesson, would prevent the ever-recurring devastation of a wide area of country to the immediate benefit of the Chinese people and of foreign trade." The House of Commons Committee has wisely decided to leave the matter of defining the purpose to which the money shall be devoted to the discretion of the Advisory Committee which is to be set up.

This Committee has now been increased to admit of another representative of the Republic of China, and it should be able to commence its deliberations very shortly. It would be interesting, therefore, if those who favour the whole of the money being allocated to education would answer Mr. Bland's questions: Can they point to a single instance in which the results of foreign education have been manifested in any political or administrative reform conducive to the welfare of the Chinese people? Can they point to a single career conspicuous for single-minded integrity in the public service? Satisfactory answers would greatly help the Committee in reaching a decision, but who is able to give them?

SILVER WEDDING.

EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF JAPAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, May 10.—The silver-wedding of their Majesties, the

EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

Emperor and Empress is now being celebrated.

IMPERIAL FESTIVITIES.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin).

Tokyo, May 10.

Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress of Japan celebrate their silver wedding to-day.

The Tokyo Municipal authorities are giving a public dinner in Ueno Park to celebrate the occasion.

The Electric Bureau is running ten decorated tramcars through the leading streets of the capital, and a lantern procession composed of about 30,000 members of the Tokyo Young Men's Association is to be held this evening, starting in front of the Imperial Palace and proceeding to the Ueno Park round by the Akasaka Palace, Ginza and Nihonbashi.

Although the actual date is to-day, the Municipal celebrations began yesterday and they will continue till to-morrow.

Every house in the city is displaying the national flag in the daytime and lanterns at night time.

The silver wedding banquet will be given in the Imperial Palace, and a reception, to which the foreign diplomats have been invited, will also be held. Amongst the decorations is a huge gateway of greenery erected at the Babasaki Gate leading to the Palace. The Gate and columns are festooned in red, white and yellow bunting. A multi-coloured electric light cluster plays from the top of the Gate at night time.

An athletic meeting was held to-day in the water gardens of the Meiji Shrine, and other attractions were wrestling matches, pageant, public concerts by the naval and military bands, a "No" dance in the Kudan Shrine, and fire works.

A large silver vase with inlaid gold decorations was the present given by the members of the Imperial family to the Emperor and Empress, and individual presents were also made by members of the Imperial family.

EMPIRE PAGEANT.

WEMBLEY THROWN OPEN AGAIN.

STIRRING SCENES.

Stupendous Crowds Hear King's Speech.

Amid great enthusiasm and splendour the King and Queen opened the British Empire Exhibition on Saturday afternoon.

KING'S SPEECH.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 9.

The British Empire Exhibition was reopened to-day in States by His Majesty the King, accompanied by the Queen, amid great enthusiasm and splendour. The weather was fine, though occasionally overcast. The grounds and decorations are vastly improved on last year, and present quite an artistic appearance. The Exhibition itself was rendered more compact and attractive. Many exhibits of the Dominions and colonial pavilions have been changed and supplemented.

Stupendous crowds bound for Wembley by road blocked the traffic. The Stadium was packed long before the arrival of their Majesties the King and Queen, who were heralded by a fanfare of trumpets and the booming of guns.

After driving round the stadium to the accompaniment of deafening cheers, His Majesty the King, in the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet, and the Queen, took their seats on golden thrones on a crimson and gold dais on each side of which sat High Commissioners, representatives of the Colonies and diplomatists. Groups of Indian officers in multi-coloured uniforms, Guards of Honour from the Army, Navy and Air Force, mounted Stadium detachments, nursing services, military and naval schools and Chelsea pensioners, grouped in the vicinity of the dais made a dazzling colour picture.

Though the weather was fine in London, with the usual Wembley luck a heavy rainstorm broke the moment the King rose and the Stadium became a sea of umbrellas. The vast audience rose and cheered when the King, whose ten minutes' speech was audible everywhere in the Stadium, declared the Exhibition open. A short religious service followed. Torrential rain rendered the clergy almost inaudible.

The Duke of York, addressing His Majesty before the latter's speech, said the new date for the opening was chosen because it was the fifteenth anniversary of the date of the proclamation of the King Emperor. He stated that the Empire representatives who were associated with this great enterprise took occasion to offer humble duty, and hoped he would long reign. The present Exhibition, while maintaining the same character as last year's would present the lesson of Empire in a new manner. The aim had been to provide not only a complete University of Empire, but a great pleasure and recreation ground.

His Majesty the King, in opening the Exhibition, referring to the wise and patriotic step in continuing for another year what had been rightly described as the University of the Empire, declared that the Exhibition was a successful instrument of policy for spreading knowledge of mutual aspirations, capacities and needs, which was the foundation of goodwill between constituent peoples, upon which the British Empire depends for security and prosperity. The King welcomed the Overseas representatives and congratulated the Board of Management on presenting the Empire in a new aspect, giving a complete, vivid and yet fresh picture. He said he was glad to learn that last year's results were so favourable, and he hoped there would be a continuance of the beneficent work of assembling peoples of many lands, to whom the Exhibition would demonstrate how many of their wants can be supplied from some part of our Commonwealth of nations, while we at Home see numerous opportunities offered by great countries overseas to those wishing a wider horizon and new fields of endeavour.

His Majesty welcomed the Exhibition policy of presenting lessons in lighter and brighter form, because those coming to be entertained will remain to be educated, and will return to be further educated. He specially rejoiced that housing had been made a central feature, pointing out that the foundation of the Empire is in the home and the provision of houses permitting healthy home life is a matter not only of domestic but of Imperial importance.

Finally, he trusted that the Exhibition at its close will have completed the task of showing our peoples and the world generally a picture of the British Empire intent on arms of peaceful reconstruction and careful development of its resources, earnestly seeking peace at home and abroad.

His Majesty concluded by praying the blessing of God on the Exhibition, that it would serve to draw closer the bonds of uniting the Empire, encourage the growth of commerce within and without the Empire, and promote the prosperity and happiness of the world.

The opening of the Exhibition was saluted by twenty-one guns and aeroplanes circling above, while simultaneously the Duke of York sent a telegram to the Prince of Wales announcing the event. Rain ceased just before the King and Queen left the dais at 12.30 p.m.

King George and Queen Mary.

WHERE THE FLAGS AGAIN FLUTTER IN THE BREEZE.

The Stadium at Wembley where the British Empire Exhibition was opened by the King and Queen on Saturday. The Stadium is the largest sports arena in the world, being one and a half times bigger than the Coliseum at Rome. It accommodates 120,000 people.

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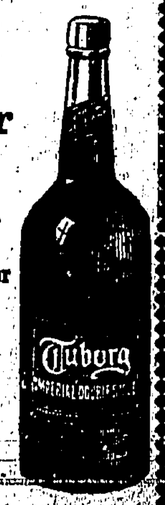

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Our Trams—A Visitor's Views.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Permit me as a visitor to your interesting city to make mention of your car service—or of one incident in connection with it. It refers to overcrowding in spite of warning rules or notices against such. I attempted to board a tram car at your Happy Valley the other evening, but I soon desisted. There was a big crowd on most of the cars and other people were crowding on. The cars were packed to suffocation and holds more than I guess was intended by the men who built them. One thing I noticed was that a number of Chinese policemen boarded the cars although they could see there was no room for them. These same men were smoking and had no bells. I presume they were off duty; still they should have set an example. I am told this kind of thing is not uncommon. If so, Sir, it suggests a bad state of affairs and one that should be remedied. Human nature is such that it takes no notice of things until they happen. Someday something will happen on these same cars. It will be too late to save life or perhaps injured limbs. But it is not too late now to institute some method of traffic control and direction of cars. I hope you will. Your readers, writing as I have done, I would not have done so had it not what I have seen impressed me very considerably.

Yours, etc.,
COSMOPOLITAN.

Hongkong, May 6.

Wanchai Up.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Something is wrong. The P.W.D. appear to have made a mistake. Wanchai does not want either a golf course or a burial ground. I say this because the place is literally up. Every few steps and one sees a cavity. The oblong shapes suggest a grave; the round ones a golf tee. At night mounds of earth are lit up by feeble gleams of light which very often go out. What is the P.W.D. doing? Is it looking for a prehistoric man or his remains, or is it digging for gold? The Pottering Works Dept.!

Yours, etc.,
NOMEVILLE.

Hongkong, May 7.

Hongkong Education.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Your correspondent, "Ex-Teacher," has given us an amusingly candid insight into what he or she thinks a teacher's training course consists of, to wit, "A certificated teacher represents a person who has passed fairly well in a considerable number of subjects" What rot!

I passed my matriculation with Honours in all sorts of subjects, I passed fairly well.

Conclusion.—I am therefore a certificated teacher.

Ex-Logic.—Reductio ad Absurdum.

There again, "there are people competent to teach and yet without the ability to cram to enable them to pass the certificate examinations." Woe unto such persons. If they cannot pass on their normal brain capacity, I pity them.

"Cramming," says W. James, the great teacher and psychologist, "brings nothing but speedy oblivion."

Then in the same vein your correspondent goes on to say something tantamount to asserting that a degree is but a sort of "tag" or but tosh and that mere teaching ability, with no matter how elementary, or inadequate a knowledge of the subject is all that is required. It's like asking an American tourist to show you round Hongkong—he having trotted round many other parts of this world of ours. How sensible!

And now to come to my real point in writing this short epistle. Does "Ex-teacher" realise that a Teacher's Training Course consists of studies in:—

(i) The Principles of Education.

(ii) Special Methodology: which by the way, I might explain, includes a comprehensive study of methods both old and new of teaching the ordinary school subjects.

(iii) History of Education. Which I think Ex-Teacher could study with much profit to him or herself and others.

(iv) Practical Training.

This, though placed last for obvious reasons, is essentially the most important of all four—and further cannot be taken until the Theory papers have been passed, thus ensuring a competent knowledge in a certain number not "considerable" of ordinary school subjects.

Frochel, whose name ought to be familar to Ex-Teacher if he was ever worthy of that title said that, "Teachers, no less than doctors, must go through a course of professional training." But of course, posterity according to some has thought little of this.

I might as well point out that the ordinary person without a certificate of some kind hasn't got a ghost of a chance to get a post as teacher in any decent school at Home and in almost all cases a degree is necessary if not essential. In some cases nominations are made and then the honours man takes the bun, but such opportunities are pretty rare, few and far between.

After all, a certificate is a guarantee that the holder is capable of teaching, and if some teachers are born, they can well profit by a course of training and by a suitable recognition of their born ability.

It is not so taboo as some would have us believe, I can assure you.

The trained teacher can be differentiated from his ill equipped fellow-worker at once. The one introduces novel methods of teaching, the other continues in the same old rut year after year, fondly believing, "what was good enough for my father is good enough for me."

It pays after all to get the trained man.

There is something more in teaching than standing in front of a class "sponting" or dictating notes to the poor brutes whose minds are being cramped.

Yours, etc.,
"PEUS-ASTOUNDED."

Hongkong, May 5.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—On going over your report of the meeting of the Board of Education held last Wednesday, I find myself in the midst of many difficulties.

(1) What exactly does the Director of Education mean by "a member of the instructional staff of the University of British Columbia?" I believe in the United States, if not in Canada itself, there are such things as "Instructors in Physical Culture," "Workshop Instructors." These are certainly not positions calling for mental ability.

(2) In what subject did the particular inexperienced and uncertificated Oxford man take his honours? Mr. Orme has many times stressed the close resemblance between Greek and Chinese ideals and thoughts. Does this mean that an honours man in Greek is fit to teach Chinese boys English, or any other similar subject, not to speak of Mathematics and Science? Of course, I do not say this particular Oxford graduate took his honours in Classics or Greek, but one never can tell, until the powers that be, give us more definite information.

(3) What exactly is the basis of Mr. Orme's statement that "so far as teaching Chinese boys is concerned they (inexperienced teachers) are quite as useful as men with experience"? Has Mr. Orme himself or any of his Oxford honours men, actually met with such great success as to justify this statement?

(4) Does the Director of Education realise that men do not enter the Government service as teachers merely for the love of it; if they did, they would find far more opportunities of doing good in private schools? The fact is, they either went to a University with the intention of becoming teachers and knew beforehand what the advantages were as compared with the rather low scale of salaries, or they were placed into it by economic circumstances. In the latter case, they would do far better if they first experimented on children of their own mother tongue before they tried to impart knowledge to foreigners.

Yours, etc.,
QUERIST.

Hongkong, May 9.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—Chinese man he no savvy. You pay him one, pietee teacher happ got title, no got title, allo sam. Who man tawkey the man happy got title cando teachee pidgin. He got title, no happ work, he belong allo sam small baby. He wanchee run, he no savvy how fashion walkee. How can? My savvy this belong no good pidgin. What tawkey Hongkong teachee taipan? What you tawkey?

Yours, etc.,
LOH YEH.

Hongkong, May 9.

Local Tennis.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Your correspondent "Reformer" seems to have an axe to grind. I am surprised that such an unfair attack should have found its way into your valuable and respectable columns. It serves no good purpose except to arouse racial antagonisms. Your specious and apparently very interested correspondent suggests that because Ng Sze-kwong found O'Callaghan in a friendly match too tough a nut the ex-champion was afraid to enter the Open Championship this year. Those who know Ng Sze-kwong will acquit him at once of any such fear. If there is a true sportsman in the Colony it is Ng Sze-kwong; your correspondent might with advantage take a leaf from his book. Ng Sze-kwong has no fancy ideas about his tennis; he knows just how high he ranks, and can take a beating with the next man. He plays for the game's sake, but having competed regularly on the championship courts for the past eleven years, he is surely entitled to a rest if he wants one, without any cheap sneers by miserable people like "Reformer." When and where Ng Sze-kwong plays tennis is Ng Sze-kwong's business; it certainly is no concern of self-appointed and inefficient critics such as "Reformer." I begin to suspect the latter's nationality and his reason for writing.

As to the alleged unfairness of Ng Sze-kwong's being selected to play the Americans, I understand there is no question of representation of the Colony. Ng Sze-kwong was merely asked to play the Americans in some friendly exhibition games, and consented. But after all, the Kinseys came to China to play the Chinese, and who has a better right to represent China than Ng Sze-kwong? If the Americans want to play the Indians, I guess they'll go to India, whereafter, perhaps "Reformer" will hold his peace.

Yours, etc.,
NOT JEALOUS.

Hongkong, May 10.

SELLING AT A LOSS.

HONGKONG PIECE GOODS TRADE.

JAPANESE RIVALRY.

The general manager of Yue Lee Yuen, importers, exporters, and agents in Hongkong, sends the "Manchester Guardian" a letter, in which he says:

"The spring trade seems to have a rather unauspicious beginning. The much-looked-for opportunities at this time of the year have not altogether vanished, but no one is very hopeful of doing a great deal before the summer. The chief obstacle in the way of fresh business is the accumulated stocks, which in aggregate \$8,000,000 worth of [illegible]gs, white and fancy brocades. So far there are no means of disposing of this large carry-over from last year. Some are willing to get rid of the stocks at original cost, while others even resort to selling them at a loss. Despite these efforts the congestion remains unabated in consequence of the endless civil strife near Canton.

The Japanese have become rivals to be reckoned with by the English, particularly in prints, white cotton drills, figured and plain poplin, effected shirtings, cotton lastings, fancy printed goods, white shirtings and grey shirtings of 8½ lb. and 10 lb., as well as jeans, flannelettes, and cambrics. The quality of their goods is far inferior to English, but Chinese consumers have taken a fancy to them simply because they are much less expensive than those from the English mills. It may also be pointed out that the Japanese manufacturers have a more efficient method than the English have of popularising their goods in China. Instead of employing various trade marks in various trading centres of one quality, as the English do, the Japanese use only one "ticket" for all consuming centres. The advantage of this lies in the fact that if the trade mark in question goes unfavourably in one place it may easily be taken to another, where there is a better chance of its being well received. The note of warning that the Chinese piece goods merchants would desire to sound is that English labour and capital should find the best means possible to adjust their cost of production in such a way that they can hope to meet effectively the keen competition of the Japanese piece goods that bid fair to outstrip all other rivals in this field.

LOCAL SPORT.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

SHANGHAI CONFIDENT OF VICTORY.

"STARS" ABSENT.

In the latest Shanghai papers to hand, the date for the interport cricket match is given as May 18.

Of the best known Shanghai players, the following are away:—

Donald Leach (on leave), A. W. Hayward (transferred to Hongkong), Jimmy Quayle, Captain E. I. M. Barrett, W. C. G. Clifford, H. E. Muriel (formerly of Hongkong).

Names of others who will be available to play against Hongkong, if chosen are:—Dr. O'Hara, D. C. Burn, T. A. T. Begg, "Torry" Wilson, J. H. Bhoora, F. L. Wainwright (who captained a Shanghai team in Hongkong a few years ago), M. J. Divecha, C. J. Merritt (a new arrival), H. W. Allison, H. C. B. Peck, V. H. Lanning, T. L. Rawsthorne, Dr. H. H. Morris, E. G. Barnes and others.

Commenting on the coming interport, the China Press of May 4 says, inter alia:—"Shanghai should certainly be able to field a team quite able to avenge the reverses of the last two meetings. On the whole prospects seem very bright, and we can confidently expect a victory for Shanghai."

VOLUNTEER SPORTS.

ABOUT 150 ENTRIES RECEIVED.

HOW THEY STAND.

On inquiry this morning, the "China Mail" was informed by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, honorary secretary, that apart from the team entries, he had received nearly 150 entries by Saturday last, for the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps sports meeting; however, he was still checking things over and expected the figure might be passed.

Strange to say, there had been no entry for the 50 yards "blind" race. Entries for the open mile event will come in later, added Mr. Mitchell.

For the purpose of the sports meeting on Monday, June 1, when it is hoped the H.K.F.C.'s ground will be available, the Corps has been divided into eight units, which will compete for the cup presented by the commandant (Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O.) as follows:—Artillery Company, Engineer Company, Mounted Infantry, Armoured Car Section, Machine-Gunners, Infantry Co. (previously No. 1 Platoon), Scottish Company, and Reserve Company.

The programme of events arranged include races over 100 yards, 220 yards, 400 yards, 880 yards, one mile, 3 miles and 120 yards hurdles. There will also be high jump, long jump, throwing the cricket ball and putting the shot competitions; while in addition to the tug-of-war and team relay race, there will be a six-a-side football competition.

Results To Date.

A start has already been made with the football and tug-of-war. In the football, the Infantry are in the top semi-final where they play the winner of the Machine-Gunners v. Engineers tie. In the lower bracket of the semi-final, the Scottish Co. will play the Mounted Infantry.

Through the Reserves and the Artillery Co. scratching, the Scottish Co. only had to defeat the Infantrymen to enter the final of the tug-of-war. In the lower half, the Mounted Infantry will meet the Engineers for the right of having a pull, in the semi-final, with the Machine-Gunners, who have disposed of the Armoured Car section.

DUE TO-MORROW.

KINSEY BROTHERS AND SNODGRASS.

"WEATHER PERMITTING."

Weather permitting and contingent on their having sailed by the s.s. "Empress of Canada" which is due to arrive here from Manila at 8 o'clock to-morrow, the leading American tennis players, the Kinsey brothers and Snodgrass, will begin their series of matches at the H.K.C.C. courts to-morrow afternoon, commencing each day at 4.15 p.m. Singles, first, best of three sets, doubles best of five sets.

The provisional programme is as follows:—

May 12, Tuesday:—H. Snodgrass v. Ng Sze-kwong; R. and H. Kinsey v. Captain O'Callaghan and R. E. Tottenham.

May 13, Wednesday:—H. Snodgrass v. T. Honds; R. and H. Kinsey v. Ng Sze-kwong and Captain O'Callaghan.

May 14, Thursday:—H. Kinsey v. Captain O'Callaghan; R. Kinsey and H. Snodgrass v. Ng Sze-kwong and R. E. Tottenham.

CLOSING CRUISE.

YACHT CLUB'S "LADIES' DAY."

PRIZES PRESENTED.

An attractive programme of races and an exhibition game of bowls, with H.E. the Governor participating in the latter, marked the close of the cruise season at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon.

The weather was brilliant for the occasion of the closing cruise, the attendance including a large number of ladies, many of whom travelled in the motor boats accompanying the contestants, whilst others preferred to sit on the lawn engaged in conversation or watching the exhibition game of bowls.

Amongst early arrivals were His Excellency Sir Edward Stubbs, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, the Hon. Mr. Harold T. Creasy and Mrs. Creasy, and the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Mrs. Lang.

The band of the East Surrey Regiment was in attendance and discoursed a selection of music.

The officials were:—

Officer of the Day—The Commodore—Captain T. Arthur.

Starter.—The Vice-Commodore—Mr. E. W. Carpenter.

Umpires. — The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer and Dr. E. P. Minett.

Judges.—Captain A. W. Davison, R.N.R., Mr. E. Cock and Mr. W. Logan.

Rowing Officers of the Day—Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, C.B., R.N., The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, Mr. T. J. Easterbrook, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. W. Logan and Dr. E. P. Minett.

Clerk of the Course.—Mr. A. W. van Andel.

Timekeeper.—Yeoman of Signals J. Murphy.

The following were the results:

English Rigged Cruisers.—1, U. and I., Mr. H. S. Rouse; 2, Norseman, Messrs. Ryan, Moncrieff and Edwards; 3, Imogen, Mr. A. W. Tickle.

Racing Yachts (Ladies Races): There were the Handicap Class and the One Design Class, both of which started together over a distance of 4½ miles; and a Heyward Hays Class and Gael Class, over the same distance, which also started together. The course was:—Start Club House line (W. to E.), mark off Kowloon Dock Point (P.), mark off Black Head's Point (P.), mark boat Club House line (P.), twice round.

Handicap (Class Letter H.)—1, Rolla, Mrs. Carpenter; 2, Diana, Miss Hollingsworth; 3, Dorothea, Mrs. Martin; 4, Falcon, Miss Shaw.

One Design Class (Class Letter I.)—1, Ailsa, Mrs. Owen Hughes; 2, Halcyon, Mrs. L. E. Scott.

Heyward Hays Class (Class Letter Y.)—1, Sealark, Mrs. Cock; 2, Ursula, Mrs. Faussett; 3, Bluenose, Mrs. Tracey.

Gael Class (Class Letter G.)—1, Joan, Mrs. Davison.

The "Leveson" Cup.—Distance 1 mile. This was keenly contested, the winners being the P.W.D. crew comprising K. S. Robertson, stroke; C. W. E. Bishop, 3; F. Baker, 2; R. C. Keen, bow; E. Lenfesty, cox. Second place was secured by the Hongkong Electric Co.: C. B. Easterbrook, stroke; S. T. Padgett, 3; R. W. Smith, 2; J. Paul, bow; C. Petley, cox; and third by the A.P.C.: R. M. Jack, stroke; J. Lyons, 3; E. Moore, 2; H. Foster, bow; J. Kinross, cox.

The "Club" Fours.—Distance 1 mile, for *bona fide* members of the Club only had three crews competing. The winners were the No. 1 team: R. M. Jack, stroke; Easterbrook, 3; Smith, 2; Jones, bow; Petley, cox. Second and third places were secured by crews stroked by A. C. Groves and K. S. Robertson respectively.

The Race for Collapsible Life boats from Submarines was a hard struggle, four boats coming almost in a bunch at the finishing point. The boats had to be beached and collapsed, and a hinge which refused to move proved the undoing of the boat from L.33, which looked a possible winner. The order decided by the judges was 1, L.4: 2, L.9: 3, L.19: 4, L.33.

Commodore's Speech.

Before the presentation of prizes, Captain T. Arthur said:—

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen,—This Closing Cruise marks the end of another very successful sailing season for the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and, in reviewing the Club's activities during the past season I feel sure the Committee and members have nothing to reproach themselves with.

The various sailing events have been successfully and keenly contested, and thoroughly enjoyed by all our sailing enthusiasts, and in saying that I include all those ladies who competed in the Ladies' Championship Races.

I am glad to be able to state that the Committee were enabled to hold the first Macao Race confined to cruisers during this season and the cup presented by Mr. G. Potts was most enthusiastically raced for by the various boat owners and, from the stories that filtered through after the race was finished, I gathered that some of our cruising yachtsmen had a very thrilling time.

Another event of importance for the Club was the visit of a team from the Shanghai Yacht Club and after a successful series of races sailed in our own boats, I am proud to say that the Hongkong team, in their very best yachting manner, relieved them of their flag. However, it was a great fight and the Northern Club was certainly at a disadvantage by sailing strange boats in unaccustomed waters. When the return match is sailed for in the Shanghai River we shall have a strenuous fight to keep the flag.

Mr. Byrne before he left very kindly presented the "Shanghai Cup" which was won by Capt. Davison in "Bluenose."

Our friends from the Navy gave us this season a chance to get the flag back, which they annexed from us in 1923 and, after a most enjoyable and strenuous contest, the naval flag now adorns the walls of our Club much to our joy.

I might add for the benefit of our visitors that feeling runs very high on the Club's Naval Day and it is always necessary to have a serious officer present to carefully watch the rival teams to regulate the cocktails. (Laughter).

As a result of the last race, Commodore Grace gave us a peace offering in the shape of a framed photograph of himself which is now one of the Club's cherished treasures.

While on the subject of the Navy, I should like to take the opportunity of thanking Commodore Stirling for the help he has given myself and the Committee and for the keen interest he has shewn in the Club.

The Trevessa Trophy was raced for the other day and the Committee and members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club were more than pleased at such a splendid turn out of lifeboats which sailed an excellent race.

The Douglas Steamship Company won it for the second time, and I hear that there are several intending competitors in the next race who have made up their minds to get the Trophy.

To turn to the Rowing Section, I should like to say a good deal about them but I am afraid the time is somewhat limited so I will confine myself to saying that the membership has greatly increased and that keenness is the word to best describe this section of the Club.

A team was sent down during this season to Manila at the invitation of the Manila Boat Club and of the interport races there Hongkong won the fours, no mean performance, when it is realised under what circumstances our men train here. Their victory was a very popular one.

Dr. Minett and Mr. Easterbrook have worked hard to get good results and, on behalf of the Committee, I thank them for their efforts.

I feel sure that in future contests, whether interport or otherwise, we have the right material amongst the rowing men and I am sure they will give a very good account of themselves.

As this is the last occasion we shall have the honour of welcoming Your Excellency at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, I take this opportunity of thanking you for the interest you have always taken in our sports and I can assure you that you will take away the best wishes of the Committee and members of this Club.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, there is nothing more to say but that I hope you have enjoyed the programme which has been so successfully carried out to-day.

Both sailing and rowing events have been well contested and I congratulate the winners of the various events both to-day and during the season.

My thanks are also due to all those members of the various Committees for the hard work they have put in during this last season, and particularly to the Secretaries, Mr. Tickle and Mr. Rouse, whose untiring efforts on behalf of the Club functions have been the cause of so much success. (Applause).

Presentation.

Mrs. T. Arthur gave away the prizes, and was the recipient of a bouquet at the close.

Mr. H. S. Rouse, on behalf of the members, called for three cheers for Mrs. Arthur, which were given with a hearty response. With it the name of Mrs. Arthur, which met with a hearty response. With no less enthusiasm was a similar call received for cheers for the Submarine crews.

PRIZE WINNERS.

The following were the prize winners for Season 1924-25:—

Championships.

Combined Cruiser Class. — 1 "Coquette" Mr. F. Oliver; 2 "U. and I." Mr. H. S. Rouse; 3 "La Cigale" Mr. N. Croucher.

Handicap Class.—1 "Rolla" Mr. N. Croucher; 2 "Colleen" Capts. Hay and Crawford; 3 "Diana" Captain T. Arthur.

One Design Class 1 "Ailsa" Mr. C. E. L. Grist; 2 "Halcyon" Mr. T. S. Bustard.

Heyward Heys Class 1 "Boojum" Mr. F. G. Vaux; 2 "Ursula" Mr. H. S. Rouse; 3 "Bluenose" Capt. A. W. Davison, R.N.R.

Gael Class 1 "Mee Sing" Mr. F. D. Tracy; 2 "Joan" Messrs. Armstrong and Gardner; 3 "Gael" Capt. A. W. Taylor and Mr. R. J. Dixon.

Ladies' Championship.

Prizes presented by Capt. T. Arthur.

Handicap Class.—1 "Diana" Mrs. T. Arthur; 2 "Colleen" Miss Stobart.

I. Y. and G. Classes.—1 "Bluenose" Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell; 2 "Joan" Mrs. W. J. Davison; 3 "Sealark" Mrs. E. Cock and "Ursula" Mrs. W. A. Faussett.

Bluenose Cup Presented by Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell "Joan," Mrs. W. J. Davison.

Other Prizes.

Commodore's Cups, Racing Yachts Presented by Capt. T. Arthur, "Rolla" Mr. N. Croucher and "Ursula," Mr. H. S. Rouse.

Commodore's Cup, Cruisers Presented by Capt. T. Arthur "U. and I" Mr. H. S. Rouse.

V.-Commodore's Cups, Racing Yachts Presented by Mr. E. W. Carpenter, "Halcyon," Mr. T. S. Bustard and "Bluenose," Capt. A. W. Davison, R.N.R.

V.-Commodore's Cups, Cruisers Presented by Mr. E. W. Carpenter, "La Cigale," Mr. N. Croucher.

Rear-Comdr.'s Cups, Racing Yachts Presented by Mr. A. L. Shields, "Falcon," Mrs A. Ritchie and "Joan," Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

Rear-Comdr.'s Cup, Cruisers Presented by Mr. A. L. Shields, "Norseman," Messrs. Ryan, Moncrieff and Edwards.

"Tai Yut" Trophy for Championship Prize Winners "Ursula," Mr. H. S. Rouse.

"Macao" Cup Presented by Mr. G. Hutton Potts, "La Cigale," Mr. N. Croucher.

"Coquette" Cup Presented by Mr. F. Oliver, "Norseman," Messrs. Ryan, Moncrieff and Edwards.

"Rolla" Cup Presented by Mr. N. Croucher, "Falcon," Mr. A. Ritchie.

"Ailsa" Cup Presented by Mr. C. E. L. Grist, "Daphne," Mr. H. Effersöe.

"Boojum" Cup Presented by Mr. F. G. Vaux, "Ursula," Mr. H. S. Rouse.

"Mee Sing" Cup Presented by Mr. F. D. Tracy, "Joan," Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

"Ladies" Cup Presented by Competitors or Ladies' Championship "Ursula," Mr. H. S. Rouse.

"Shanghai" Cup Presented by Mr. E. T. Byrne, Commodore Shanghai Yacht Club "Bluenose," Capt. A. W. Davison, R.N.R.

Bellios Challenge Trophy "Boojum," Mr. F. G. Vaux.

Warren Memorial Trophy "Joan" Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

Consolation Cup Presented by Mrs. H. S. Rouse, "Dorothea," Mr. C. E. L. Grist.

Prizes were also distributed to the winners in yesterday's races already detailed, and the winners in the lawn bowls. The latter were Messrs. Anderson, Jamie, Paton and Dixon; Messrs. Reid, Messer, Dyer and Williamson.

WAIFS AND STRAYS.

MEETING CONSIDERS STANLEY PROJECT.

The promotors of the scheme for the institution on Stanley Peninsular of a school for training waifs and strays, met during the week-end at the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and as a result they will visit the Industrial School at Macao to-morrow when the Rev. J. Kanazei will conduct the party over.

In order that the children might be given the opportunity to benefit by sound technical knowledge it was proposed that the leading industrial guilds should be approached with a view to obtaining the services of expert instructors.

The Hon Mr. Tratman, S. C. A., and the Rev. P. I. Kanazie were present at the meeting in addition to the following promoters: The Hon. Mr R. H. Kotewall, Messrs: Li Yau Chun, Fung Ping-san, S. W. Tso, Wong Kwong-tin, Ho Sai-kong, To Si-lun, and Wing-kwong

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Tokyo, May 9.—The Soviet agrees to Mr. Tanaka Tokichi's appointment as Japanese Ambassador to Moscow. Later—Mr. Tanaka was formally appointed this afternoon.—Reuter.

Berlin, May 9.—Three members of the Reichstag and two Judges of the Leipzig Supreme Court, constituted the Court which declared Hindenburg's election valid.—Reuter.

HAWAII'S DEFENCES.

NEEDS OF THE ISLANDS TO BE STUDIED.

LEGISLATOR'S PROPOSALS.

"The Strongest Military Outpost in the World."

With the object of making Hawaii "the strongest military outpost in the world," an American legislator will shortly urge Congress to immediate action.

COMING MISSION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, May 8.

Following a public discussion of the weakness of the Hawaiian defences, as disclosed by the recent American Navy manœuvres, Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives, said that he would urge legislation at the next session of Congress to make the Hawaiian islands "the strongest military outpost in the world."

Plans are being prepared to enable members of the Naval Committee to visit Hawaii next month in order to obtain first hand information. The party will be accompanied by high naval officers.

A thorough survey of the needs of the islands will be made with particular reference to Pearl Harbour.

Mr. Butler added that his proposal for the fortification of the Hawaiian group did not mean that he would be opposed to a world court of justice or the principle of disarmament.

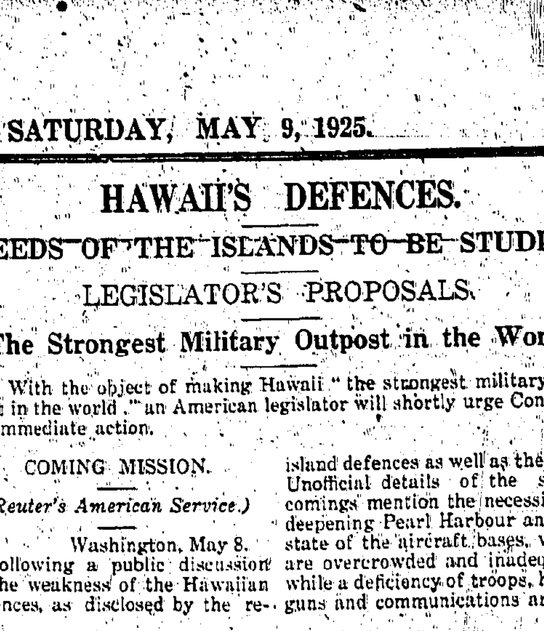
He hoped that these objects could be attained, but he was beginning to doubt whether the other nations were in earnest about disarmament.

EARLIER CABLES.

New York, May 8.

At the conclusion of the officers' conference, following the Hawaiian manœuvres, the umpires issued a brief communique acknowledging that the operations disclosed deficiencies in island defences as well as the fleet. Unofficial details of the shortcomings mention the necessity of deepening Pearl Harbour and the state of the aircraft bases, which are overcrowded and inadequate, while a deficiency of troops, heavy guns and communications are revealed at Oahu, where the garrison requires doubling in order to repulse theoretically a possible landing force of forty thousand men.

AMERICA'S BATTLE FLEET.



The United States battle fleet steaming to the recent manœuvres held in Hawaiian waters.

William [illegible] Butler.

QUITE VALID.

(Reuter's Service.)

BERLIN, May 8.

The Election Court has declared Marshal Von Hindenburg's election valid.

[When Marshal von Hindenburg was elected President of Germany, the socialists protested against the result on the ground of alleged irregularities.]

RUBBER JUMPS.

VERY HIGH PRICES TO COVER.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The rise in the price of rubber for immediate or near delivery to 2s. per lb. is attributed to the shortage in the supply and the brisk demand to meet contracts now maturing in America.

The situation is intensified by the delay in the arrival of 200 tons coming via Suez, which had to be transhipped, and by short accounts having been opened in the markets for May delivery, the covering of which has necessitated paying very nigh prices.

SHARE ISSUE.

LONDON, May 8.

The United Sua-Betong Rubber Estates are issuing 160,00 £1 shares at three.

KING'S SPEECH.

All the World To Hear.

WEMBLEY OPENING.

BLARE OF BANDS AND CRASH OF GUNS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 8.

Listeners, in all over the world will be enabled to hear the King when he opens the Empire exhibition on May 9.

The proceedings are to be transmitted through the high power station at Chelmsford.

They begin at eleven o'clock in the morning (summer time) with military music.

The royal salute on their Majesties' arrival will be fired at 11.55.

This will be followed by the Duke of York's introductory speech.

His Majesty's speech is timed to be delivered at noon.

After that a short religious service will be conducted by the Bishop of London.

COTTON TROUBLE.

SCHEME OF CONTROL NEEDED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The provisional emergency cotton committee of Manchester has expressed the opinion that short time movements on a voluntary basis will never command entire loyalty. Consequently the trade is beginning to recognise that there is no real solution for the present difficulties in the cotton trade, apart from a full-fleged scheme of control, and the sooner it is put into actual operation, the better, for everybody concerned.

BOMB PLOTS?

WARSAW COMMUNISTS ARRESTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

WARSAW, May 8.

The police have arrested a number of Communists in Warsaw and Grodno who are alleged to have been plotting a series of bombing outrages also the theft of secret documents from the War Office, the Ministry of Interior and other Government offices.

Detailed instructions were found in their possession and proofs are said to have been obtained of their connection with the Soviet legation.

TYPHOID SCOURGE.

HUNDRED EUROPEANS DOWN.

(Reuter's Service.)

SUVA, May 8.

In Fiji a hundred Europeans and many Indians are suffering from typhoid.

Three Europeans have died.

Extra doctors are being sent fro mAustralia and New Zealand.

WORLD FLIGHT.

ITALIAN AVIATOR'S PROGRESS.

(Reuter's Service.)

BOMBAY, May 8.

The airman Commdr. de Pinedo has arrived here.

CABINET TROUBLES.

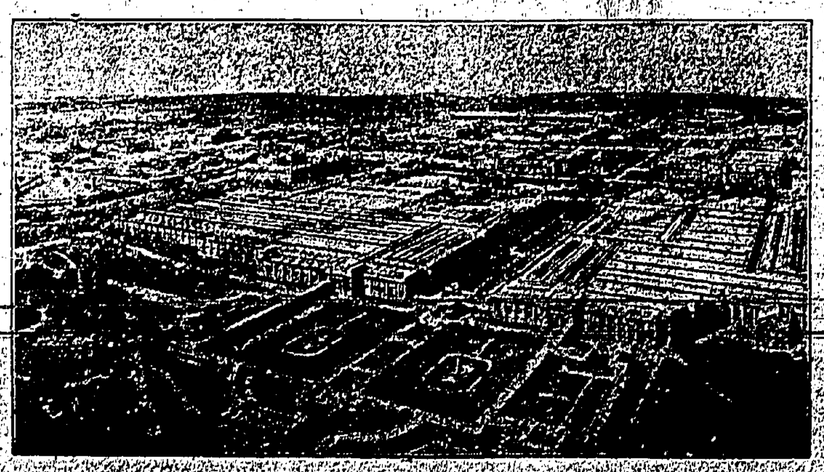
(Reuter's Service.)

BRUSSELS, May 8.

The King has received the Catholic leader van Devyvere who has agreed to try to form a new ministry.

Moscow, May 8.—A concession has been granted to a British concern, the Ayan Corporation, to exploit the goldfields of Okhotsk, Kamtchatka. The company pays on the basis of the area worked, and also surrenders five per cent. of the output to the Soviet.—Reuter.

EMPIRE'S VAST SHOP WINDOW OPENS AGAIN TO-DAY.



The Empire's shop window, as the British Empire Exhibition has been called, is to be opened to-day by the King. Hongkong is again represented.

RADIO FROM ARCTIC.

ESKIMO FOLK SONGS AT EQUATOR?

EXPLORER'S FANCIES.

Future Landing Places For Air Routes.

An American professor, who is about to lead an exploring expedition into the cold lands of the Arctic, says that he may put Eskimo folk songs "on the air," to be picked up by wireless listeners on the Equator.

Washington.

"It is highly probable that people at the Equator will hear folk songs by the Eskimos in the Arctic this summer," said Professor Donald Macmillan, the veteran Arctic explorer, after the Navy Department have announced that President Coolidge had approved of two navy seaplanes, with experienced pilots, accompanying Professor Macmillan's ship.

He sails on June 15 from Wiscasset, Maine, to survey the unexplored area between Alaska and the North Pole. It is estimated that he will cover a million square miles. Later he will explore Labrador, also Greenland.

Forty-three naval fliers and mechanics have applied for the posts. Professor Macmillan recently suggested to the President that the United States should claim any territory found as future landing places for a prospective air route to Europe.

Professor Donald Baxter MacMillan, Professor of Anthropology at Bowdoin College, was a member of the Peary North Polar Expedition, 1908-9, and in the following year went to Labrador with the Cabot Expedition. The years 1911 and 1912 he spent in ethnological research among the Eskimo of Labrador, and then he had charge of the Crocker Land Expedition of 1915-17. In July, 1921, he set out, also from Wiscasset, on an expedition to Baffin Land, which occupied a couple of years. An ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve, Professor MacMillan has gone through an aviation course.

Professor McMillan.

THE NATION'S FOOD.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 8.

The Food Commission has issued one majority and two minority reports. The minority reports are signed by Mr. T. H. Rayland and Mr. W. R. Smith respectively. The majority report principally recommends the establishment of a food council to maintain continuing supervision over staple food prices.

In connection with port charges on wheat it recommends that the port authorities carefully consider the rates with a view to making reductions in the near future. It favours compulsory registration of retail butchers and endorses the recommendation of the Linlithgow committee that cold storage proprietors should be required to furnish statistics of stocks of meat cold-stored, to be published at the food council's discretion.

It recommends the council closely to watch future developments in connection with the importation of meat from Argentina since it is of the opinion that it may be necessary for the Government to intervene by acquiring the controlling interest of British companies operating in Argentia or by other means, if the supply of chilled frozen meat to Britain should be dominated by adverse trading combinations.

TRADE WITH THE DOMINIONS.

It believes the Government may wish to discuss with the Dominion Governments the possibility of encouraging, in the interest of the producer and consumer, the flow of food from the Dominions to the markets of Britain. It finally recommends the Government to exercise its influence to ensure that the economic section of the League of Nations shall continuously study international food problems and prepare periodical reports for submission to the League council.

Mr. Ryland's minority report objects to the establishment of a food council as a definite advance in the direction of State socialism and imposing a heavy burden on the taxpayer, entailing a serious risk of increasing the cost of the peoples' food.

The food commission majority report points out that there is no evidence presented in support of the suggestion that the international wheat trade is controlled by a small number of firms exploiting the needs of the consumers.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

Mr. Smith's minority report is very lengthy. It recommends that the Government assume open responsibility for supplies and prices of food and the centralisation of the importation of wheat and flour in the hands of a statutory import board acting on behalf of the whole community. Also a similar centralisation of meat supplies, carrying out the recommendations of the Bridgeman-Macrosty committees in regard to the public acquisition of the freezing works in South America by Britain.

The milling industry should be formed into a statutory corporation wherein present millowners would hold debentures, the government holding a majority of the ordinary shares. The local authorities should be empowered to open municipal bread and meat shops and require the licensing of retailers in their areas.

WOOL SALES.

SUSPENDED ALL OVER AUSTRALIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

MELBOURNE, May 8.

A conference of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers and the Australian Wool Growers Council decided to suspend wool sales all over Australia until July 1 when they will be resumed if circumstances permit.

MINISTER RESIGNS.

(Reuter's Service.)

ROME, May 8.

The King has accepted the resignation of Admiral di Revel, Minister of Marine, and has appointed the Premier Signor Mussolini, to act as Minister ad interim.

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GEORGIANS REVOLT—Cruel excesses by officials of the Russian cheka in Georgia have led the independence committee of that country to determine upon the assassination of every member of the cheka found in the Caucasus region. Several have already been accounted for.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The fourth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd., is advertised to be held in the Company's office, China Buildings, on Saturday, May 16, at noon, to be followed by an extraordinary meeting at 12.15 p.m.

The part the drink trade played in the recent Ulster parliamentary elections is referred to by Viscountess Astor in a letter to the press in connection with the controversy she is engaged in with Sir Arthur Holbrook on the subject whether this trade can be disinterested. "Sir James Craig," she writes, "is no pussyfoot, or fanatic, or American, or woman, or anything else which Sir Arthur Holbrook seems to object to. "But because in Ulster's interests he has dared to pass a mild temperance act, "the trade' is against him. Sir James appealed for unity and support in the recent election. The trade answered by running independent candidates and in several constituencies beating Sir James's official representative. The trade showed in Ulster, as it shows everywhere, that it cannot be disinterested."

Hongkong is not the only place to have enjoyed a lower temperature than usual in the month of April. The following is from a Calcutta paper of April 16:—"After temperatures ranging between 107 and 103 degrees Calcutta has experienced a sudden fall in temperature. This phenomenon has, also, been observed in other parts of Bengal, and Bihar has been revelling in exceptionally low temperatures. In Dinajpur, in north Bengal, the maximum day temperature on Sunday last was 79.3, or 15.3 normal; in Purnea, in Bihar, the maximum day temperature the same day was 86.7, or 10.3 below normal. In Assam, in Gauhati and Dhubri, day temperatures on Sunday last were 10.2 and 12.4 below normal and Shillong correspondents write of a sudden cold spell."

The annual meeting of worshippers at the Peak Church will be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall, on Tuesday, May 12, at 5.15 p.m. The meeting is being called to pass accounts and elect officials.

The opium revenue of the Straits Settlements for the first quarter of this year was $2,804,822 as against $3,226,185 for the corresponding quarter of last year. Liquors and tobacco show slight increases.

With about 30,000,000 copies of the English Bible now being distributed each year, after 40 years the Bible still completely overtops all other "best sellers," according to a statement of the Federal Council of Churches in Washington, announcing the four hundredth anniversary of the first translation of the New Testament from Greek into English, to be observed of this year.

The cost of living in Paris has again risen and is more than five times that of the prewar figures, according to the statistics compiled by the Government service. These statistics apply to forty-five commodities. Taking the index number for July, 1914, as 100, the number for last December is 518, and for January of this year 525. The tendency is perpetually upward and the efforts of the Government to redeem its electoral promises in this respect seem doomed to failure.

Italy is to have a national encyclopedia which its organisers hope eventually will compare favourably with the Encyclopedia Britannica. A committee of the Italian Cultural Institute, which was formed through a gift of Giovanni Treccani, is now at work drafting the plans for the encyclopedia, which will offer to the world a statement of Italy's work in nearly every branch of knowledge. The first edition will be of 32 volumes in quarto of about 1,000 pages to each volume.

One case cerebro-spinal fever and one case of enteric, both Chinese, were reported on Friday.

"Lorna Doone" is now being shown at the Queen's Theatre to crowded houses and Cinema-goers have been impressed with the picture.

The "China Mail" acknowledges receipt of "The Romance of the Rockies" "Jasper National Park" a gorgeously illustrated booklet issued by the Canadian National Railways.

Controversy over the British Wireless Bill continues. Radio societies and associations are all urging their members to write to their members of Parliament to point out how the bill, as it stands, would retard amateur research. Much apprehension is felt at what looks like the thin end of the wedge of government intrusion.

Twenty members of the Manila Chinese Y.M.C.A. have organized a glee club for the purpose of awakening an interest in vocal and instrumental music among its members. The club will hold weekly and monthly rehearsals in the main building on Calle Benavides. Each section will be in charge of a director. The club plans to give concerts and musicales later in the year.

"An adequate provision for secondary or some form of full-time postprimary education for all children up to the age of 16" is the object of a bill which the House of Commons will debate. It is introduced on behalf of the Labour Party, but it is expected that it will be rejected on the ground of financial stringency. Two members from the Government side have tabled an amendment, repeating on this subject Stanley Baldwin's much less definite election promises of which the chief was for the provision of efficient secondary schools with an adequate number of free places."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

To the list of medical practitioners has been added the name of Dr. Dorothy Evaleen Galbraith, of the Nethersole Hospital, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, and Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, London.

Renewned anxiety is felt as to Viscount Milner's health, says a Reuter message of May 9. The Viscount had not had a good night. The improvement had been checked. After consultation, the doctors stated that Viscount Milner's condition gives cause for anxiety.

Hongkong passengers on board the P. and O. Kalgan, which sailed from London on April 9 are:—Mr. W. S. Bundock, Mr. E. S. Carter, Mr T. Clegg, Lt.-Comdr. R. H. Glen, R.N., Mrs. Glen, Sub.-Lt. F. F. J. Gilman, R.N., Mr. G. H. Hodson, Mr. and Mrs. J. McQueen, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newman, Miss O. Orme, Mr. J. Pym, Mr. M. D. Scott, Mr J. E. Sidwell.

The death is announced of the Duke of Rutland. The late Duke of Rutland, the eighth of the line, was Hon. Colonel of the 3rd and 4th Battalions Leicestershire Regiment, 1897, and President of the Leicestershire Territorial Association since 1908. His many appointments in the County included that of Lord Lieutenant. He was educated at Eton and saw service with the 3rd Battalion of the Leicestershire Regiment, in which he was Captain. He was principal private Secretary to the Marquess of Salisbury, 1885-86 and 1886-88, and was Conservative M.P. for the Melton Division of Leicestershire from 1888 to 1895. The Duke owned 18,000 acres of mineral land in Leicestershire and Derbyshire.

The death is reported of William F. Massey Prime Minister of New Zealand. The Right Honourable William Fergusson Massey has been Prime Minister of New Zealand since 1912, and was the only War Premier within the Empire, who still held power. He was born at Limavady, Co. Derry in March 1856. He went to New Zealand in 1870 to join his parents who had emigrated with the Nonconformist settlers in 1862. There he grew upon the farm, at the same time taking marked interest in local government affairs, and at different times held office. In 1894 he entered the New Zealand parliament as member for Waitemata, and had been member for Franklin since 1896. He represented the Dominion on several occasions, among them the Peace Conference at Paris in 1919 and the Imperial Conference of 1921. He was a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour and of the Order of the Crown of Belgium.

The monocle habit is growing among the shingled sex. The other night at a crowded London night-club no fewer than four ladies were thus adorned, each looking very uncomfortable and obviously afraid that the thing might fall out at any moment. The female eye would appear to be ill adapted to this form of vanity, to which even horn-rimmed spectacles are preferable.

A protest is being raised in the Paris Press against smoking by women in the streets. "After the theatre," expostulates one writer, "it has become an ordinary sight to see a woman produce her cigarette and puff away as she strolls homeward, just like the men. It is mostly foreign women, however, who set this far from graceful example, and we hope they will not find many followers among their French sisters."

The Prince of Wales did not suffer from lack of exercise during his voyage to South Africa. The squash racquet court with its glass roof which he had on the Renown had been moved to the Repulse, and put up at the side of the main deck. It is fitted with electric light, so the Prince can play after dark if his energy so move him. By the Prince's particular desire a billiard table had been installed on board. But the waves and the wind surely had a good deal to say as to its use.

In recent photographs of Princess Mary appearing at public functions, she is shown umbrellaless. Formerly the umbrella was a prominent feature in every photograph of the kind. It was a matter for much chaff amongst her brothers. The Prince of Wales once said, "When Mary is opening a bazaar or a hospital she clings to her umbrella like a drowning man to a straw. First you see the umbrella; then you see Mary." But now the umbrella seems to have disappeared. But why? Has Lord Lascelles said something?

That there is little new under the sun, even with regard to women's fashions, was pointed out by Ethert Brand, curator of the museum at Rotherham in the course of a recent lecture. Referring to an illustration of women dancers on the walls of a Spanish cave, he said these palaeolithic belles were very near to the present day women with their high hats, chignons, tight waists and bell-shaped skirts. These cave pictures were probably the earliest fashion plates in the world, and were drawn about 20,000 years ago, declared Mr. Brand. Another illustration from Spain showed a costume very much akin to that of the modern flapper.

His Excellency the Governor and party will attend the Coronet this evening to see The Epic of Everest.

Madame Rouillon, wife of the Peruvian Consul to Hongkong, left with her family by the President Pierce yesterday en route for South America. Mr. E. Rouillon is accompanying the party as far as Shanghai and will then return to Hongkong.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Nowell Bernard White, of Sea View, Wanchai Gap Road, to Miss Pearl C. Thompson, of Philadelphia, U.S.A., who arrives in the Colony by the s.s. Empress of Australia; Mr. Joseph Lewis, engineer, of the s.s. Tung On, to Miss Maria Everdina Vieira, of St. Joseph's Mansion; Mr. Thomas Leonard Knight, of Homeville, Wanchai, to Miss Lillian Florence Stewart Oliver, of No. 6 "Wild Dell" Wood Road and Mr. Francisco Duenas Bernardo, No. 10, Wanchai Road, to Miss Julia Maria Tavares, of No. 35 Sharp Street.

The greatest interest is taken in Dublin in the manner in which Joseph Devlin's victory in the elections has just been celebrated in Belfast. The proceedings took the form of a huge torchlight procession through west Belfast, the Nationalist stronghold. Electrically illuminated signs, arches and scrolls festooned the streets, great bonfires were lit at the street corners, the flames of which rose upward 20 feet in many cases. The flags, festoons and general decorations took the form of combined green and orange colours. If anyone before the war had said that such a thing would ever be possible, he would have been derided, for in those days the two colours were always a mark or symbol of rivalry and too often of violent hostility. The long procession having wound its way through the chief thoroughfares finished in Smithfield Square where a public meeting was held at which Mr. Devlin said he thanked the people from the depth of his heart for having placed him, not merely at the head of the poll, but so far ahead of the others. His grateful thanks were due, he said, to the many Protestant professional and commercial men who were among the 5,000 Protestant voters whose suffrage he had received. He desired to emphasize this indebtedness. All his energy and labour would be given to fostering good relations between the two communities and to helping toward an improvement in the condition of the workers.

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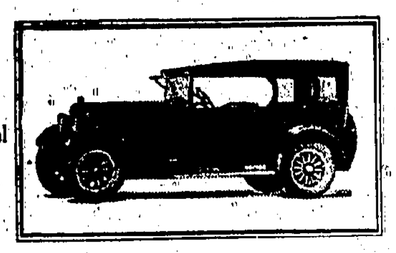

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NOTICE

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of May, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions, viz.:—

"(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following that is to say by the deletion of Article 17 and by the substitution therefor of the following Article, namely:—

"17. So long as the issued "capital of the Company "shall not exceed $6,000,000 "no member shall be entitled "to be registered as the "holder of more than 8,000 "shares of the Company. "Should the issued capital of "the Company be increased "beyond $6,000,000 the "number of shares in respect of which a member "shall be entitled to be "registered shall be increased proportionately, but no "member shall be entitled "to be registered in respect "of a fraction of a share."

(2) That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now $3,000,000 consisting of 60,000 shares of the nominal value of $50 each the whole of which have been issued) be increased to $10,000,000 by the creation of 140,000 additional shares of the nominal value of $50 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital.

(3) That 60,000 of the said 140,000 new shares be offered in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every old share held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 10th day of June, 1925, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 60,000 old shares at a premium of $10 per share.

(4) That the aforesaid offer be made to members by notice specifying the number of new shares to which a member is entitled. That a member whose registered address is situate in the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, *i.e.*, one instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, and a further instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of October, 1925, and such member or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of July, 1925, will be deemed to have declined. That a member whose registered address is situate outside the Far East or his nominee shall pay for such new shares accepted by two instalments, i.e., one instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of July, 1925, until the date of receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and a further instalment of $30 per new share to be paid on or before the 15th day of December, 1925, together with interest calculated at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the total amount then payable for the period from the 15th day of October, 1925, until the date of actual receipt of payment by the Company's Bankers and such member outside the Far East or his nominee who has not accepted and lodged with the Company's Bankers the first instalment due on such new shares on or before the 15th day of September, 1925, together with interest as aforesaid will be deemed to have declined. The Directors shall have the right to reject any nominee.

(5) That such of the said 60,000 new shares as shall be accepted by members both in and outside the Far East shall *vis-a-vis* the said 60,000 old shares rank for dividend as from the 15th day of July, 1925, to the extent of one half of the nominal value of such new shares and as from the 15th day of October, 1925, equally with the said 60,000 old shares.

(6) That any of the said 60,000 new shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid and the remaining 80,000 unissued new shares may be issued and disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as to ranking for dividend and otherwise as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at its Registered Office aforesaid on TUESDAY, the 2nd day of June, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of June, 1925, to WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of June, 1925 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

Dated the 4th day of May, 1925.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

LOCAL SPORT.

WEEK-END TENNIS.

EXHIBITION AT C.R.C. "AT HOME."

HONDA IN SEMI-FINAL.

To see how Tottenham, the newcomer to the University, would shape when playing in public with the best local talent was probably the reason for a very big and cosmopolitan crowd wending its way to Causeway Bay on Saturday afternoon, it being the occasion of the exhibition doubles lawn tennis match at the Chinese Recreation Club "At Home."

Partnered by Captain O'Callaghan against Ng Sze-kwong and M. W. Lo—about the strongest Chinese combination playing to-day—Tottenham gave a convincing display. From the outset, it became evident that he was a polished, modern exponent of the ultra aggressive type, with beautiful wrist work. If a comparison could be made—on Saturday's showing — he was not O'Callaghan's superior, but he certainly gave the impression of being a very strong doubles player. Except in volleying, and for an occasional lob or two, he seldom used his backhand; accordingly, there is no telling what it will be like in a singles game. When facing the server, he stands in, such a position—the corner of his court—that he can always return with a stinging forehand drive which is more often well placed than not. Chops and cuts he hardly played and his repertoire of strokes is not nearly so large as that of O'Callaghan or Ng Sze-kwong. His overhead work and smashes were almost on a par with O'Callaghan's. There seems nothing tricky in his service but he puts the whole weight of his body behind it and his action is pretty to watch. At the net he also volleyed well but his half-volleys had a pronounced weakness. In placing there was little to choose from between all four on the court. His forte was a "piledriver" forehand drive beautifully delivered with full play of his wrist work. For speed, none of the other three was his superior. At the net he also showed up to advantage but was not nearly so deadly as when driving, or, for that matter, smashing.

On the run of the play, the British pair deserved to win by three straight sets. Ng Sze-kwong fluctuated between the brilliant and the indifferent. His backhand seemed to have still further gained in power but it was seldom accurate. It being a doubles match, he had little chance of making full use of his variety of strokes. The ex-champion was not below last year's showing but he was not at his best.

Finding himself at the top of his form this year, M. W. Lo was much superior to his displays in the tournament, winning many points and playing with all his confidence. Lo gave a convincing all-round display, worthy of the occasion.

O'Callaghan did not treat the crowd to many of his winning ground shots but at the net he was unapproachable. By a slight superiority, he was the best—on the day's showing—on the court. Playing in partnership in public, neither pair benefitted in combination.

The Play.

Tottenham opened the service and won. Ng lost and then by lobbing to O'Callaghan's service, the Chinese pair won, making the score 2-1. After 3-1, Tottenham served a double fault when deuce had been called and the score became 3-2. Getting the better of some volleying duels, the Chinese pair levelled up 3 all. O'Callaghan was playing a winning game but Tottenham was indifferent up to this stage but the latter soon got going. With the Britishers taking the ninth game and each pair winning alternately on service, the score went to 6 all, several games reaching deuce. Tottenham then served and the home pair won a love game and took the lead for the first time 6-7 but lost three games in succession—the visitors combining very well—and thus the first set 9-7.

In the second set, the Chinese only won the second, fifth and eighth games, losing the last point of the set (6-3) after a fine fight and saving several smashes.

Warming to the game, Ng Sze-kwong gave of his best and Lo was playing tip-top tennis to win the first three games of the third set. O'Callaghan and Tottenham went up to 2-3 and lost 2-4 after a hard game in which much applause was given for long and splendid rallies, producing the best tennis of the exhibition. After this, the British pair asserted their superiority, keeping their hosts on the defence throughout and winning the third set 6-4, the final stroke being a lucky one.

Full scores:—9-7, 6-3, 6-4.

Mr. N. Trambitzky of the Kowloon C.C. made an efficient umpire.

Prior to the exhibition match, the C.R.C. "B" team, winners of the second division of the league, should have played a team from The Rest. As only Messrs. E. H. Wong and T. J. Lee of the University turned up, this match did not come off.

President's Address.

Addressing the gathering at the entrance to the clubhouse, Mr. Ng Sze-kwong (president) said:—

It is my privilege to extend to you, on behalf of the members of this Club, our sincerest welcome to this our annual "At Home."

This year sees a number of changes in our pavilion—the extension of our dressing and bath rooms and a new wing added to the building.

These have been necessary in view of the fact that our membership has greatly increased, so much so that the Committee has now thought fit to limit the enrolment of members until such time as we have the opportunity either of extending this ground or getting an additional one free or otherwise.

This Club and the South China Athletic Association are the only two Chinese recreation clubs in the Colony and ours is the only Chinese recreation ground. As at present equipped, we find it difficult to cater for the increasing number of our Chinese young folk keen to take up western sports.

I am sorry to say that our sporting activities for the last year have not been very successful. In the tennis league last season our "A" team didn't do as well as we wanted them to, but our "B" team is to be congratulated on having won the 2nd Division honours. (Applause). In cricket we fared rather badly. In the league competition which has just been completed, we were second from the bottom of the table. This position, however, does not mean that we did not give our opponents any trouble. As a matter of fact, we put up some very good fights against some of the strongest clubs in the Colony and in some of the matches that we played in the league we did not do really badly.

We are exceedingly thankful to Mrs. Wong for so kindly consenting to come here to distribute the prizes this afternoon. (Applause). Mrs. Wong, as most of you know, is the wife of Mr. Wong Kam-fook, a life member of this Club and one of the best known members of our community. Before I ask her to give away the prizes I would like to thank all donors for their beautiful trophies and all who have taken part in the tennis matches this afternoon, especially our friends, Capt. O'Callaghan and Dr. Tottenham whose kind presence on our courts to-day is chiefly responsible for the entertainment which we have been able to offer you.

On Mr. K. L. Chau calling the respective prizewinners, the distribution by Mrs. Wong Kam-fook (wife of the compradore to the Kowloon Godown Co.) then followed.

Prize List.

The tennis prize list was as follows:—

Championship Singles:—Winner, Ho Ka-lau, Challenge Cup presented by Mr. Ho Kwong (to be won three years; this is the first year) and cup presented by Mr. Ng Sze-kwong. Runner-up, (presented by Mr. Chan Hin-hsuen) Kwok Po-kan.

Championship Doubles:—Winners, Ho Ka-lau and Ho Wai-hing, Challenge Cups presented by Mr. Wong Kam-fook (to be won three years; this is the first year) and cups presented by Dr. C. C. Wong and Mr. H. C. Lee. Runners-up, (presented by Dr. Ma Luk and Dr. Ma Chiu-ki) Lau Fook-ki and Kwok Po-kan.

Handicap Singles "A":—Winner, (presented by the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son) Kwok Po-kan. Runner-up, (presented by Mr. Mok Shiu-chee) Yew Man-kit.

Handicap Singles "B":—Winner, (presented by Mr. Yung Hin-lun) Li Wai-tong. Runner-up, (presented by an anonymous donor) Mok Lin.

Handicap Doubles:—Winners, (presented by Mr. Wong Tze-chai) Cheung Wing-kui and Chau Kwan-lam. Runners-up, (presented by Messrs. M. K. and M. W. Lo) Li Chor-chi and Wong Kwok-kwong.

Mixed Doubles:—Winners, (presented by Mr. J. M. Wong and Mr. Wong Ping-iu) Miss Heang and Chan Hin-lee. Runners-up, (presented by Mr. Leung Cheung-man and Mr. Lau Ming-shek) Mrs. Warley and Lau Fook-ki.

Medals were also presented to those who had played for the "B" team which won the second division of the lawn tennis league last season, as follows:—Lau Fook-ki (captain), Yew Man-tsun, Kwok Po-kan, Lau Fook-ling, Yew Man-kit, T. C. Iu.

Cricket prizes for last season were distributed as follow:—

Batting, "A" team—Ng Sze-kwong; "B" team—Dr. Wong Sik-to.

Bowling, "A" team—W. C. Hung; "B" team—Wong Po-keung.

The following contributed to the prize fund:—Messrs. Choy Tung-shan, Cheng Yiu-fon, Ho Hung-chiu, Kan Kam-ching, Lai Im-to, Mok Lin, Tang Shiu-ki, Y. C. Lai, Dr. Arthur W. Woo, Messrs. Wong Kam-ying and Wong Hok-sun.

Miss Leung, daughter of Mr. K. K. Leung, a former local champion at billiards and a popular member of the Club, then presented, on behalf of the Club, Mrs. Wong a silver vase and flowers.

After cheers had been given for Mrs. Wong, Mr. R. Hancock of the Hongkong Cricket Club, captain for many years of the inter-port cricket team and formerly one of the best tennis players in the Colony, returned thanks on behalf of the visitors. Mr. Hancock congratulated the C.R.C. on a successful day, remarking that the Chinese were renowned for their hospitality and courtesy. Such hospitality and courtesy had been extended to him on many occasions and he hoped to enjoy the same for very many years more. (Applause).

An enjoyable dance in the clubhouse brought the proceedings to a close.

Among those noticed present during the afternoon were Mr. Justice J. R. Wood (Puisne Judge) and Mrs. J. R. Wood, Mr. L. S. Greenhill (hon. secretary to the H.K.C.C.), Professor Redmond, Mr. L. Forster, representatives from sporting institutions of the Colony, and influential members of the Chinese community.

Tea was served in the open and the band of the Punjabis rendered appropriate selections.

HONDA PLAYS.

Open Singles Championship.

Those who preferred to stay in town to watch tennis went to the H.K.C.C. where tournament tennis was played on a Saturday for the first time—an innovation brought about because of last month's rain and the exhibition matches this week.

T. Honda, who won the Open Singles Championship from Ng Sze-kwong last year, played on the stand court, where he was opposed to Ng Sze-cheong, a brother of the former champion and who has played at Wimbledon as S. C. Wu (the mandarin pronunciation of his name.)

Ng was not in good health. However, his splendid first-class tournament experience stood him in good stead; his variety of strokes and his court generalship caused the Japanese champion considerable trouble and he even led at critical stages only to lose in three straight sets as Honda's drives and placing were too much for him.

Playing his cuts and chops to good purpose and occasionally bringing off a good drive, Ng led by 5 games to 4 in the first set but eventually lost by 8-6. In the second set Honda won 6-3 and his accuracy also won the third set 6-4.

Considering that he was unwell, Ng put up an exceedingly good show. He was not expected to extend the champion but it now appears that in the earlier stages of the tournament, he kept little in reserve for the big occasion and is a much more formidable player than he appears to be.

Honda was not playing as well as he was when he won the final last year.

Next Week's Matches.

For this week, the following matches have been fixed provisionally:—

Open Championship Singles (semi-final):—S. A. Rumjahn v. T. Honda on the stand court today at 4.30 p.m.

Club Championship (third round):—A. S. Hett v. S. E. Green.

On Tuesday when the exhibition matches are due to start, the following games are down to be played:—

Handicap Singles "B" (semi-final):—L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) v. G. de Man (scr.)

Handicap Doubles (semi-final):—W. B. Cornaby and N. L. H. Railton (scr.) v. A. S. and G. B. Hett (scr.)

Later Fixtures.

Provisional fixtures, weather and grand permitting, all on the stand court:—

May 18 (Monday), Open Singles (fourth round):—Captain O'Callaghan v. S. E. Green.

May 20 (Wednesday) Open Singles (semi-final):—Winner of O'Callaghan v. Green to play H. D. Rumjahn.

May 21 (Thursday), Open Singles (final).—In this the survivors to date will meet as follows:—

S. A. Rumjahn } ... }
T. Honda } ... }
O'Callaghan } ... }
S. E. Green } ... }
H. D. Rumjahn }

May 22 (Friday), presentation of prizes and Open Doubles (final):—Captain O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gawler v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn.

Outstanding Matches.

The table of outstanding fixtures on Friday morning, May 1, as posted up to date, now stands as follows:—

Open Singles.

The following matches remain to be played:—

8.—4th round, Captain O'Callaghan v. S. E. Green (May 18)

10.—semi-final, S. A. Rumjahn v. T. Honda (to-day)

11.—semi-final, winner of No. 8 v. H. D. Rumjahn (May 20).

12.—final, winner of No. 10 v winner of No. 11 (May 21).

Open Doubles.

The following match remains to be played:—

Final, Captain O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gawler v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (May 22)

Club Championship.

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—3rd round, T. Monaghan v. W. Hyde.

2.—3rd round, A. S. Hett v. S. E. Green (to-day.)

4.—semi-final, W. B. Cornaby v. winner of No. 1.

5.—semi-final, winner of No. 2 v. Major Hattersley Smith.

6.—final, winner of No. 4 v. winner of No. 5.

Handicap Singles "A".

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—semi-final, Dr. D. J. Valentine (rec. 4/6) v. D. J. Allfree (rec. 2/6).

2.—final, Major Hattersley Smith (owe 3/6) v. winner of No. 1.

Handicap Singles "B".

The following matches remain to be played:—

1.—semi-final, L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) v. G. de Man. (scr.) (to-morrow).

2.—semi-final, P. H. Bonnerman (scr.) v. C. W. E. Bishop (owe 1/6).

3.—final, winner of No. 1 v. winner of No. 2

Handicap Doubles

The following matches remain to be played:—

2.—semi-final, W. B. Cornaby and N. L. H. Railton (scr.) v. A. S. and G. B. Hett (scr.) (to-morrow)

3.—final, B. D. Evans and W. Hyde (owe 3/6) v. winner of No. 2.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

Winners:—G. R. and Mrs. Sayer (owe 1/6).

Runners-up:—W. and Mrs. Ironside (rec. 4/6).

Readers who are interested in the tennis tournament are advised to keep the above table for reference.

LAWN BOWLS.

LEAGUE MATCH ON SATURDAY.

CRAIGENGOWER TOP.

There was again one game not played on Saturday, that being in the Second Division between The Yacht Club and the East Point Club. The former were unable to field a team owing to the closing cruise of the season taking place amongst their sailing members. Craigengower obtained a convincing victory over the Civil Service in the First Division and the Police Recreation Club proved much too strong for the Taikoo team.

The results are as follows.

First Division.

C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

Alves	Booker
Neves	Deacon
Rose	Grimmett
Basa	Gregory
(S.) 25	(S.) 20
Taylor	Massey
Souza	Alderman
Green	Knight
Bradbury	Oswick
(S.) 20	(S.) 13
Muskett	Maughan
Rosselet	Smith
Dennis	Stanley
McFarlane	Mill
(S.) 32	(S.) 13

Total score. Craigengower 77. Civil Service 46.

K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.

K.C.C.	K.B.G.C.
R. Abraham	D. Muir
J. C. Fletcher	F. S. Adey
A. O Brawn	J. S. McIntosh
J. Gibson	R. Duncan
(S.) 19	(S.) 17
J. Howe	D. Hazel
N. Jack	D. McNeill
A. Avison	A. M. Simpson
J. Fraser	A. W. Holland
(S.) 16	(S.) 16
R. E. Nicholls	W. C. Smith
L. E. Lammert	H. Nish
Q. P. Robinson	R. Johnstone
J. Hyde	P. T. Farrell
(S.) 12	(S.) 25

Total score: K.B.G.C. 53; K.C.C. 47.

KOWLOON DOCK v. TAIKOO.

Kowloon Dock	Taikoo.
G. Puncheon	Laing
Docherty	Seath
McKelvie	Morrison
Lapsley	Ferguson
(S.) 30	(S.) 12
Cullen	Chapman
Hamilton	Peterson
Atkinson	Sloan
Johnson	Wallace
(S.) 19	(S.) 17
Gourlay	Bateman
D. Ramsay	Grieshaw
Gow	Russell
Puncheon	Wotherspoon
(S.) 14	(S.) 23

Total score:—Kowloon Dock 63; Taikoo 52.

Second Division.

TAIKOO v. POLICE R. CLUB.

Played at Taikoo, the visitors winning by 23 points

Police	Taikoo
Glendinning	Stewart
Sword	McKechnie
Reid	Matthews
A. Clark	Young
(S.) 22	(S.) 20
Post	Crighton
Whant	Mitchell
Mair	John Sloan
J. Clarke	Muirhead
(S.) 21	(S.) 15
Blackman	Maxwell
Logan	Stalker
Grant	Grimes
West	MacLachlan
(S.) 31	(S.) 16

Total score. Police 74, Taikoo 51.

K.C.C. v. I.R.C.

W. F. J. Gorvin	S. D. Hussain
D. J. Purves.	B. A. Hyder
A. C. S. Burford	H. Ram.
W. Goldenberg	D. Rumjahn
(S.) 12	(S.) 24
C. G. Harrison	R. Nazarin
F. W. Robson	S. Amall
J. Smith	H. Harteam
F. G. Herridge	S. E. Ismail
(S.) 29	(S.) 15
W. R. Buckberrough	A. O. Madar
O. R. Benson	A. A. Razack
V. C. Labrum	V. Espina
D. A. Purvis	U. M. Omar
(S.) 15	(S.) 14

Total score:—K.C.C. 56, I.R.C. 53.

LEAGUE TABLES.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	L	P.
Craigengower C. C	2	2	0	4
Taikoo R. C.	2	1	1	2
Kowloon C. C.	2	1	1	2
Kowloon B. G. C.	2	1	1	2
Kowloon Dock R. C.	2	1	1	2
Civil Service C. C.	2	0	2	0

DIVISION II.

Police R. C.	2	2	0	4
Kowloon C. C.	2	2	0	4
East Point R. C.	1	0	1	0
R.H.K.Y.C.	1	0	1	0
Taikoo R. C.	1	0	1	0
Indian R. C.	1	0	1	0

SHOTS FOR AND AGAINST.

	For.	Agst.	Up.	Down.
Taikoo R. C.	135	107	28	0
Kowloon C.C.	108	117	0	9
Craigengower C. C.	131	99	32	0
Kowloon Dock R. C.	116	106	10	0
Civil Service C. C	105	138	0	33
Kowloon B. G. C.	102	130	0	28
DIVISION II				
Police R. C	157	86	71	0
Kowloon C. C.	128	96	32	0
East Point R. C.	53	72	0	20
R. H. K. Y. C.	45	83	0	48
Taikoo R. C.	51	74	0	23
Indian R. C.	53	56	0	3

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st May 1925:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS SUPPLY.

	1924	1925
Tytam	31ft. 0in. Below overflow	29ft. 4in. Below overflow
Tytam Byewash	20ft.	26ft. 11in. Below overflow
Tytam Intermediate	31ft. 2in. Below overflow	17ft. 10in. Below overflow
Tytam Tuk	32ft. 2in. Below overflow	26ft. 8in. Below overflow
Aberdeen Upper Reservoir	28ft. 9in. Below overflow	21ft. 7in. Below overflow
Pokfulam Upper Reservoir	26ft. 2in. Below overflow	

CASH IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS

	1924	1925
Tytam	174.70	227.68
Tytam Byewash	2.36	NIL
Tytam Intermediate	61.18	109.85
Tytam Tuk	758. 6	695.32
Aberdeen Upper Reservoir	7.55	5.74
Pokfulam	13.14	41.95
Total	1,011.53	1,097.09

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April.

	1924	1925
Consumption	93.53	2'8.33
Estimated population	389,100	310,421
Consumption per head per day	23.0	20.5 gallons

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KOWLOON GRAVITATION WORKS SUPPLY.

	1924	1925
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	23ft. 0in. Below overflow	18ft. 0in. Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1924	1925
Kowloon Gravitation reservoir	151.25	19. 50

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April

	1924	1925
Consumption	63.38	76.81
Estimated population	344,700	340,240
Consumption per head per day	14.8	14.9

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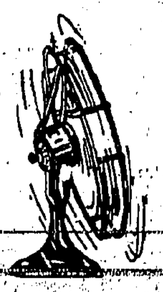

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Joseph C. Eyers, a legless cripple is the first man to enter suit for an alleged radio broadcasting fraud. He alleges that "Dead Eye" Stewart recently broadcast, in his name, from a leading radio station an appeal for money and that charitably inclined listeners sent in £500, which, he alleges, Stewart pocketed.

AIR PHOTOGRAPHERS' FEAT.

MAKING AIRPLANE MAP

Here is a diagrammatic photograph showing the method by which army air photographers make aerial maps.

DR. G.A. REISNER

Dr. George A. Reisner, professor of Ekyptology at Harvard and director of the joint expedition of Harvard and the Boston Museum of Fine Arts in Egypt, is about to go to Ekypt to take charge of removing the art works from a new tomb found there, centuries older than that of Tut-Ankh-Amen. He declares women have changed little in 4,000 years; that bobbed hair, rouge and lipsticks were known in Egypt 2,000 years ago.

MRS LUELLA RHEUBELL.

Miss Luella Rheubell, manager of the National University of Sciences at Chicago, startled the authorities investigating the mysterious death of William N. McClintock, the "millionaire orphan," when she disputed the story of Dr. C. C. Faiman, of the school, who said he gave typhoid fever germs to William D. Shepherd, McClintock's foster father. Miss Rheubell declared Shepherd never visited the school and that no germs were kept there. Both Faiman and Shepherd, the latter of whom was chief beneficiary in the dead man's will, have been indicted for murder.

PRINCESS MARTHA.

According to reports current in social circles in London, the Prince of Wales will announce his engagement to Princess Martha, niece of the King of Sweden when he returns from South Africa and South America.

ALLEGED TYPHOID MURDER.

MISS SIGNE GUSTAFSON.

Signe Gustafson, formerly employed as a domestic by William Shepherd, who figures in the inquiry into the death of William McClintock, the "millionaire orphan," in Chicago, has been examined in her home city by the police. She denied she had received a sum of money from Shepherd, chief heir to the McClintock estate, after the death of the young man, supposedly from typhoid fever. She stoutly defends the Shepherds and will go to Chicago to testify in their behalf.

MEN AND WOMEN IN THE NEWS.

Above: JAMES E. WALTERS & EDITH BOBE.
Below: LT.-COL. IAN O. DENNISTOUN & REP. CLARENCE McLEOD

John Walters, known as the "Lone Wolf" burglar, has confessed he was one of the robbers who held up Mme. Edith Bobe, wealthy modiste, and robbed her of £5,000 worth of jewels. Dudley Field Malone, a lawyer practising in Paris, has gone to London to enter suit, on behalf of an unnamed woman, against Colonel Ian Onslow Dennistoun, husband of the Dowager Countess of Carnarvon, and defendant in the recent sensational suit of his first wife, for alleged breach of promise to marry. Representative Clarence J. McLeod, was seriously injured when an aeroplane in which he was a passenger crashed into a tree.

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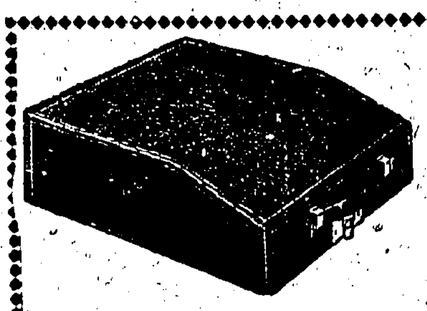

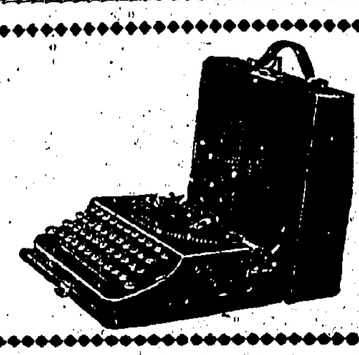

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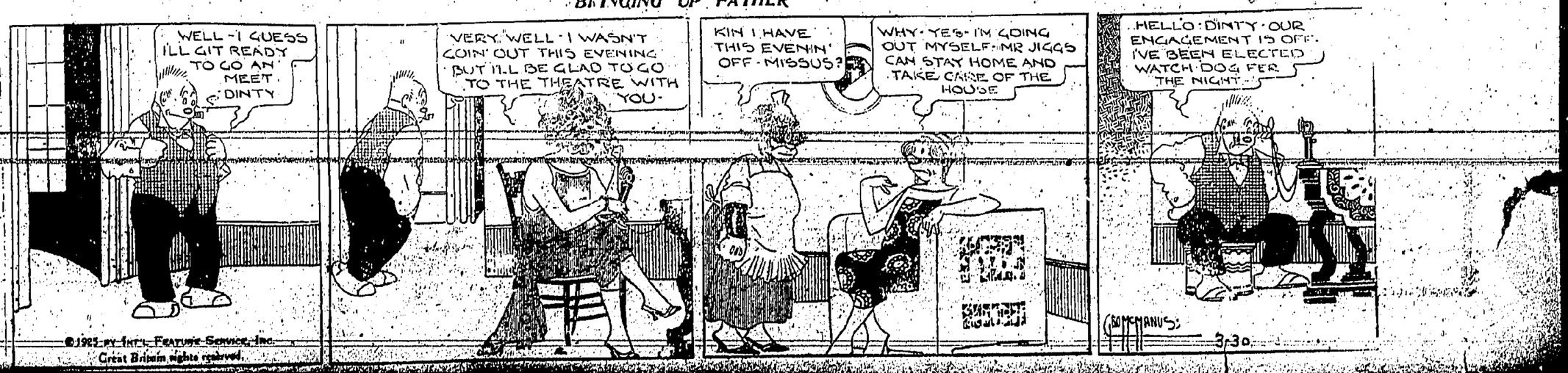

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In the Fourth Test at Melbourne, a ball from the Australian fast bowler, J. M. Gregory, struck Oldfield on the chest.

It is now known that the fourth and fifth ribs were broken, but a doctor who examined him at the time declared that no such damage had been done.

It was on his return to Sydney for the final Test that Oldfield's injury was correctly diagnosed, and he then held the doctor to silence, as he was determined to play in the match.

Seated in the pavilion, and expecting that, at any moment the plucky wicket-keeper would collapse, the medical man was amazed to watch his remarkable performance.

In each England innings Oldfield stumped two batsmen and caught one, besides keeping a watchful eye on the score of "Mr. Extras," and he also hit up a total of 94 runs, carrying out his bat for 65 in Australia's second innings.

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RECORDS FALL.

CHICAGO SWIMMING MEET.

ARNE BORG, ESTABLISHES NEW MARKS.

Chicago, April 3.—Thirty-one seconds were slashed from the world's record for the free-style 880-yard swim in 60-foot pools here last night by Arne Borg of Sweden in a test held in connection with the Central A. A. U. swimming championships at the Illinois Athletic Club. Borg covered the distance in 10m. 24s. The best previous mark was held by Norman Ross, former I. A. C. star, at 10m. 55s.

Two other world's records were broken. Miss Ethel Lackie of the I. A. C. splashed 220-yards free-style in 2m. 45 2-5s., cutting 6s. from the mark of 2m. 51 2-5s., made by Miss Gertrude Ederle of New York. C. S. Mila, another Tri-Colour star, bettered his own world's record for 220-yards back-stroke when he made it in 2m. 49 3-5s.

Borg was in his element going after the half-mile mark. His recent failures in attempts on world's records held by John Weissmuller of the I. A. C. in sprint races at 220 yards, 300 yards and 350 yards apparently convinced him that he liked the longer distances better after all.

He worked hard during the first quarter mile. At 100 yards he was timed in 58s. He made 220 yards in 2m. 22s., the quarter in 5m. 3s., the third furlong in 2m. 42s., and the fourth in 2m. 30s. His arm action was much faster than that of Weissmuller, who swam an exhibition just to show his style. Borg took eight strokes to go the length of the tank. Weissmuller needed only five, and sometimes 5½. Borg lost traction with his feet by breaking water on nearly every stroke.

With a plunge of 60 feet in 48 3-5s., Miss Lillian Holan of the I. A. C. won the Central women's senior championship. Miss Frances Gallagher of Hirsch Center, Miss Holan's only competitor, made 57 feet with her best plunge.

H. H. Kruger of the I. A. C., world's record holder in the event, won the central title in the medley swim. He defeated Samuel Greller, a team mate, by a length of the tank, and P. J. Colopy of the Milwaukee Athletic Club by a length and a half. His time was 3m. 57 3-5s.

They swam 300 yards divided equally into breastroke, backstroke and free-style. Kruger's peculiar breast stroke, in which he takes two arm strokes under water before coming up for air and a leg stroke, gave him the lead.

R. D. Skelton of the I. A. C. failed in an attempt on his own world's record for 200 metres breast stroke. He was 1s. slower than the record in 2m. 52 4-5s.

A SPORTS STORY.

"PRIDE GOETH BEFORE A FALL."

He stood watching her silently as she hesitatingly approached him. As she drew closer and noticed the superior smile upon his handsome face she came near to hating him. She stopped some yards from him, gazing pleadingly towards him but with a mocking laugh he merely held out a hand towards her, beckoning her nearer.

"Come here," he ordered, regarding her with an amused tolerance which he made no effect to conceal.

She uttered a piteous moan. "It's no use. I—I can't. Really I can't."

"Nonsense," he replied firmly. "You must! Be brave now. Remember what I told you yesterday."

"Oh, it's no use!" she gasped. "I can't go on with it. Take me back, George. Please, *please* take me back."

"You *must* go on with it now," he retorted. "I have you at my mercy, remember," he added with a laugh. "You could never return alone."

Her eyes flushed as she faced him. "You beast!" she murmured through her clenched teeth. "I'll show you that I'm not beaten yet. I'm going back!"

Even as she turned she swayed. With a despairing cry she flung up her arms, but ere she had time to fall he was beside her, holding her in his arms.

"Steady, dearest, steady! I've got you now," he cried. "Cheer up, you'll soon get the hang of this skating business!"

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INWARD MAILS.

From		For
MONDAY, MAY 11.		
Saigon		Chenonceau
TUESDAY, MAY 12.		
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Taft
EUROPE via Negapatam (Papers only, London 9th Apr.)		Kumsang
U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Grant
Manila		Empress of Canada
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13.		
Shanghai		Yingchow
Straits		Tukadu
Australia and Manila		Tango Maru
TUESDAY, MAY 19.		
Straits		Kitano Maru
Japan		Mishima Maru
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20.		
Manila		Pres. Grant
FRIDAY, MAY 22.		
Japan		Fushimi Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

For		Time
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	4 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Hoi Cheong	6 p.m.
Manila, *Straits, Ceylon, India Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Pres. Van Buren	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 12.		
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kwaisang	10.30 a.m.
Straits and Bombay	Alipore	10.30 a.m.
Foochow	Nanking	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Chenonceau	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Nico	
Saigon	Prosper	11.30 p.m.
Manila	Leesan	1.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kwong Ying	4 p.m.
Swatow	Kwoonsang	5 p.m.
Hoihow and Tourane	Nam Wah	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13.		
Hoihow	Phrasang	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Linan	10.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Taft	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Komsang	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, MAY 14.		
Japan	Tango Maru	9.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Taming	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and *EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver B.C., 1st June and Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed via Siberia only). Ship sails at daylight on Friday the 15th May. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Empress of Canada	
FRIDAY, MAY 15.		
Bangkok	Yuensang	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central & South America & *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 11th June. Registration. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Yokohama Maru	
Shanghai	Kaiyan	10 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, & *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C., (Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.)	Talthybius	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	3 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Sicilia	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES.—due Marseilles 12th June. Parcels 15th May at Noon. Registration 5th May 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Sardinia	
SATURDAY, MAY 16		
Straits and Egypt	Ajax	2.30 p.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Mitsiang	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 19.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Noon.
Straits and Egypt	Calchas	2.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20.		
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 31st May. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Mishima Maru	
Sandakan	Hirano	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Kitano Maru	10.30 a.m.
THURSDAY, MAY 21.		
Straits	Van Overstraten	11.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via VICTORIA B.C.,—due Victoria B.C., (Parcels Noon. Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.)	Pres. Grant	
SATURDAY, MAY 13		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 22nd June Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Fushimi Maru	

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WEATHER REPORT.

May 11d. 10h. 57m.—Pressure has increased moderately over S. Japan, and slightly over Shantung the Loochoos, and the Bonins; it has decreased slightly elsewhere.

The anticyclones have merged into one, central to the eastward of Japan.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.21 inch. Total since January 1, 22.02 inches, against an average of 14.66 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending on May 12:—

1.—Formosa Channel, N. winds, moderate.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, E. winds, moderate; cloudy with drizzle or mist, improving later.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, E. winds, moderate; cloudy with drizzle or mist, improving later.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, E. winds, moderate; cloudy with drizzle or mist, improving later.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MAY 11, 1925.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Rain.
Vladivostok	8 a	29.82	49	—	E	4	o
Kumuro	8 a	30.08	—	—	S	4	—
Hakodate	"	30.02	—	—	...	0	—
Tokio	"	30.08	—	—	NNW	1	—
Kochi	"	30.08	—	—	SW	1	—
Nagasaki	"	30.02	—	—	—	0	—
Kagoshima	"	30.02	—	—	NW	1	—
Oshima	"	29.94	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	"	29.86	—	—	ESE	1	—
Ishijima	"	29.84	—	—	ENE	1	—
Pratas Island	"	29.84	—	—	SSW	1	—
Chefoo	8 a.	29.88	(2.67	W W			o
Hankow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chungking	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	"	29.95	65	93	ESE	2	o
Nutzlaff	"	29.99	66	84	SE	4	o
Sharp Pk	7 a.	29.91	64	78	N	1	o
Amoy	9 a.	29.86	68	91	—	0	o
Swatow	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Telhoku	5	29.81	70	94	E	4	b
Taichu	"	29.84	68	—	—	0	o
Tainan	"	29.78	77	—	N	2	b
Koshun	"	29.80	72	—	N	2	b
Pescadores	"	29.84	73	—	NNE	4	o
Canton	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	"	29.8	71	95	E	5	pd
Cap Rock	"	29.79	—	—	ENE	4	c
Macao	"	29.74	73	94	SE	6	o
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	7 a.	29.67	76	93	SSE	4	cf
Tourane	"	29.71	77	—	SSW	2	o
St. James	"	29.73	77	—	—	0	b
Aparri	8 a	29.74	81	87	ESE	1	o
Dagupan	"	29.73	77	89	SW	2	b
Manila	"	29.73	75	91	ENE	1	o
Legaspi	"	29.69	79	92	N	2	o
Tacloban	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	"	29.71	77	79	N	2	o
Surigao	"	29.71	77	93	SW	1	o
Guam	4.29	29.78	—	—	E	1	o
Yap	4.47	29.73	—	—	ENE	4	b
Labuan	8 a	29.72	78	94	N	2	b

Hongkong Observatory, May 11 1925.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beadford Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squall, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew, wet.

7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 8 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 8 p.m.
Barometer	29.80	29.80	29.80
Temperature	77	71	74
Humidity	80	95	85
Direction of Wind	E	E	E
Force	4	5	4
Weather	o	o3	o
Rain	0.76	0.00	0.21

Highest open air Temperature for the 10th 77
Lowest open air Temperature in the 11th—71
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Koyei Maru, (Jap.) O. S. K., from Osaka, Moji.

Tsuyama Maru, (Jap.) N. Y. K., from Kobe, Iloilo.

DEPARTURES.

Keying, (Br.) B. & S., for Bangkok, Swatow.

Tenko Maru, (Jap.) M.S.K., for Canton.

Mohon, (Chil.) Teen Shing, for Kwang Chow Wan.

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Paris, May 9.—M. Briand told to-day's Cabinet meeting that his draft note to Germany was not to compel Germany to enter the League as a preliminary to a discussion on the Security Pact, but Germany had to be informed that France could decide nothing until that step was taken. Moreover the pact must conform to the treaties. —Reuter.

Peking, May 9.—Bands of students marched through the streets this morning, assembling in thousands near the Central Park, and demanded the dismissal of the acting Education Minister, Chang Chih-chow and the Chief of Police, Chu Shen in connection with the prohibition of Humiliation Day demonstrations.—Reuter.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Mantua" from Hongkong arrived London on May 7 at 10 a.m.

The C.P.R., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Manila on May 9 at 7 a.m. left Manila yesterday at 4 p.m. and is due at Hongkong to-morrow at 9 a.m.

The D.S.L. s.s. "Pres. Van Buren" which is due at this port to-day sailed from San Francisco on Apr. 11—on schedule.

The B. F. s.s. "Cyclops" from Liverpool left Singapore on May 7 for this port and is due here to-morrow.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on May 8 at p.m. and is due here on May 13 at about p.m.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Grant" which is due at this port to-morrow sailed from Seattle on Apr. 21—on schedule.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kaiyan" left Singapore for this port on May 8 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on May 14 at about 5 a.m.

The B. F. s.s. "Sarpedon" left Port Said on Apr. 25 for this port and is due here on or about May 18.

The B. F. s.s. "Ajax" for Genoa, Havre, Liverpool and Glasgow will be despatched at noon on May 16.

The O.P.R., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Yokohama on May 8 p.m. left Yokohama on May 9 p.m. and is due at Vancouver on May 16.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kitano Maru" European Passenger Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Apr. 11 and is expected here on May 16.

The C.P.R. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai on May 1 and is due here on May 19.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Madison" which is due at this port on May 24 sailed from Seattle on May 3—on schedule.

The D.S.L. s.s. "Pres. Hayes" which is due at this port on May 25, sailed from San Francisco on Apr. 25—on schedule.

The B. F. s.s. "Tairelas" left Liverpool on Apr 25 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Hankow and is due at this port on or about May 30.

The B. F. s.s. "Memnon" left Liverpool on Apr. 24 for Straits Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on or about June 6.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Rosandra" remaining undelivered after May 13, will be subject to rent. Agents—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

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SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

The following, kindly supplied by Messrs. J. Gould & Co., were the opening quotations on the Shanghai Market this morning.

	Tls.	
Langkats	25.50	Buyers.
Ewos	11	Buyers.
Shanghai Docks	132½	Buyers.
N. Engineerings	9.10	Buyers.
Orientals	3¾	Buyers.
Shanghai Cottons	56	Buyers.

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